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THERE will be a wide-spread feeling of sorrow among the English Craft at the news it is our mournful duty to publish this week of the death of Miss JARWOOD, who for so many years had been the chief directress of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. Our readers will remember that some time since this respected lady found herself, owing to advanced age and increasing infirmity of health, unable to fulfil her duties as heretofore, and the Executive, with that consideration which characterises all their proceedings, retained her in her position; but, at the same time, gave her the assistance of a well-qualified lady, who has shown herself worthy of the confidence reposed in her. By this arrangement Miss JARWOOD was able to retain her association with the School, and was relieved of all anxiety, save that of a general, or rather formal, supervision of affairs. We are glad this course was adopted for Miss JARWOOD, whose name has figured in connection with the Institution for Girls for so long a period that one almost feels unwilling to reckon of the time when it began, was thus spared the pain of a separation from the dearest and brightest associations of her career. She enjoyed the love and respect of all the children, of the members of the different Committees, of the officials of the Institution, and among the thoughts which moved her during the closing scenes of her life must have been the feeling that, having won the love of all about her, the duties of her position had been fulfilled to the best of her ability, conscientiously, and not unsuccessfully. To the friends and relatives of the deceased lady, to the Executive of the School, and last, but not least, to the pupils, who had known her only to love and respect her, we offer our respectful tribute of sympathy. The Committee have lost an able adviser, and the children a dear friend, whose memory, however, they will still have it in their power to cherish. The funeral was appointed to take place at Battersea Cemetery on Thursday, and next week, when we give an account of the sad ceremony, we hope to be in a position to write more fully as to the details of the late Miss JARWOOD's career.

THE Masonic Exhibition, Shanklin, Isle of Wight, will be opened on Thursday next by R.W. Bro. W. W. B. BEACH, M.P., Provincial Grand Master of Hants and the Isle of Wight, in person. The hour fixed for the ceremony is 2 p.m., and brethren attending it must attend in their Craft clothing. As the exhibits number over 1400, the display will be on a far more considerable scale than those held either at York or Worcester, and we trust that, after the splendid efforts made by Bro. ALFRED GREENHAM, W.M. of the Chine Lodge, No. 1884, and his coadjutors who have had charge of the arrangements, it will prove a grand success.

AN abstract of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for any period of time is always welcome, and that for the year 1885 contains quite as interesting a record of the events of that year, and is quite as instructive as regards matters of general importance to the Craft, as any of its predecessors. With the doings of the Grand Lodge we need not concern ourselves here, seeing they have been described in some detail and commented upon in former issues of this journal. Nor need we say anything of a special character as to the general contents of the Report of the Committee on Correspondence. There is much in it that is well worth reading, and will afford our constituents an excellent idea of the work that is being done by the Grand Lodges of North America. But there are some remarks in the introduction to the Report which have struck us as being worthy of a passing comment or two. For instance, the Committee have done well in instituting a comparison between the "unrest" which exists in Society, and the "rest" which is the great characteristic of Freemasonry. Moreover, the explanation of the causes to which this contrast is due is perfectly reasonable. Thus we all know that in Society "whatever is its rule of action to-day may be changed to-morrow," and that "a calm follows" any serious division of opinion, but only "till a new agitation begins." On the other hand, "in the Masonic Commonwealth this unrest cannot live. The Freemason leaves at the portal of Free-

masonry every profane element or agency that can disturb the harmony, attack the unity, excite discord, or divide the Fraternity." This is so because "the ties that thus bind" Freemasons together "are indissoluble," and because "they were not made or entered into from idle curiosity, or from the inducements of proselytes, or from any other than the truest, most sincere, and purest motives." The comparison and the reasons which are held accountable for it are, as we have said, just and proper, and the Committee deserves credit for giving them a place in their introduction or preamble. We also think the defence offered to the objection that "Pennsylvania is too Conservative" is justified. As far as our acquaintance with Pennsylvanian Masonry goes, we believe it is perfectly true, what the Committee say of their Grand Lodge, that "she encourages no novelties. She permits no innovations. She defends with all her Masonic heart and mind and strength the established, as it is established. She feels that safety, security, repose, unity, harmony, and the perpetuity of the Grand Lodge depend on the care and caution with which all Masonic questions are considered and disposed of. If Pennsylvania is guilty of making haste in any important Masonic subject, it is to make haste slowly." This is the principle which should govern the proceedings of all Masonic jurisdictions, and, recognising this, we can sympathise with the Committee in the honest and honourable pride with which they make the declaration that "she has never yet had cause to repent it. In the century and a half of the existence of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania no disturbing element in Masonic harmony has ever originated within her jurisdiction." And the Committee may rest assured that, so long as the policy which has resulted thus beneficially is pursued, the doings of the Craft in Pennsylvania will be in all respects as praiseworthy and as serviceable to the Craft universal, in the future, as they have been in the past.

It may be imagined that the question of recognising so-called Grand Lodges finds a conspicuous place in the remarks of the Committee. The point they urge is sound, when they say that, while the course to be taken in respect of any claimant for recognition must "be governed in a greater or less degree by the judgment of each jurisdiction," they "venture most respectfully to remark that incautious or unnecessary haste may lead to mistakes that have a decided influence on the universal Craft." It is also good advice to Grand Lodges about to recognise a new body to suggest that they should "make haste slowly," and take no irretrievable step until they have obtained sound and certain information as to the true position of Masonic affairs in the country or district in which the new body has been established which is desirous of being recognised. "It may well be," as the Report points out, "that three or more lodges desiring to possess the style, rank, and title of a Grand Lodge should organise such a body within a territorial or geographical boundary in which many other associations claiming to be lodges of Freemasons carry on their work. These disagree to the action of the lodges so acting and squabbles follow." An instance of this is furnished by the so-called Grand Lodge of New South Wales, which has been organised by a small minority of the brethren in that colony, but is so far from receiving the sympathy of the majority of the brethren holding under the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland, that, as we pointed out last week, in the case of the brethren under that of the first-named country, petitions for as many as six warrants for constituting new lodges have been granted by our United Grand Lodge during the past three months. What, however, we confess we are unable to understand in this portion of the Committee's remarks is the approval they bestow on the declaration by the Grand Lodge of Quebec against our English lodges in Montreal. They say "In that jurisdiction (Quebec) certain lodges holding allegiance by their charters to Grand Lodges foreign to the jurisdiction of Quebec refuse to recognise its sovereignty. The Grand Lodge of Quebec regards these lodges as clandestine, and has forbidden its members to have any Masonic relations with them. This we cordially approve, as the only course the dignity and supremacy of the Grand Lodge of Quebec can adopt. No other course is possible till the difficulty is adjusted by these lodges surrendering their charters, and accepting the authority of the Grand Lodge of Quebec and taking charters from her authority." But here we have a case of a body claiming to be a Grand Lodge in a colony, "in which many other associations claiming to be lodges of Freemasons carry on their work" and decline to be coerced out of their allegiance to the supreme authority which created them. Where does the caution "to make haste slowly" come in here? If our three lodges are "clandestine," what are many of the Quebec lodges?

THE position assumed by Bro. CHARLES T. GRANGER, M.W. Grand Master of Iowa, with reference to the re-obligation of brethren who have been made Masons when sojourners in a jurisdiction other than that in

which they reside, and to which we referred in our issue of last week, it greatly strengthened by a circumstance mentioned by him in his annual address in dealing with this question. The case which was brought under the notice of the Grand Lodge of Iowa in 1877 was that of a resident in Iowa who was made a Mason during a visit he was paying to Scotland, and was furnished with a diploma by the Grand Lodge of that country, "for the purpose of permitting him to join the lodge in his own country, and at his own home." But on the brother—a Dr. HUGHES, of Keskeek—endeavouring to affiliate to a lodge located in that city or town, the question involved became the subject of a correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and the letter to its Grand Secretary reached the hands of the R.W. Master of the Scottish lodge in which Dr. HUGHES had been made. The said Master stated, in his reply, that the Grand Lodge of Scotland had "no power, according to its laws, to hinder a Master under its jurisdiction from making a worthy man a Freemason, to whatever country he may belong," and, after adding that the practice of American jurisdictions in respect to this matter was not in harmony with the laws of Scotland, he said: "I, therefore, beg to declare, with all due respect, that we shall continue to make all good men from Iowa Masons in our lodge, and give you full liberty to do the same in regard to Scotchmen living in Iowa." No answer was returned to this, but in the course of the subsequent correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Scotland, its Grand Secretary, at the instance of Grand Committee, reported that that body were "not prepared to recommend the adoption of the rule to which the Grand Secretary of Iowa refers. The constitution of our Grand Lodge does not permit of any interference with daughter lodges in their initiation of American residents in this country (temporarily or permanently), any more than with the practices of American and other Grand Lodges as to the initiation of British subjects." The matter does not seem to have been carried further, but Bro. GRANGER's point is this, that up to the time referred to there had been no interchange of representatives between the Grand Lodges of Iowa and Scotland, but at this time an interchange of such was made between the two Supreme Authorities, which, as Bro. GRANGER very sensibly points out, "would never have been made at such a time on our part but for an inner consciousness that Scotland was right and ourselves wrong." We quite agree with that brother, and are not surprised that he should have adopted the course of recommending the abrogation of the law of Iowa relating to the re-obligation of brethren made such when sojourners in other jurisdictions. We are indebted for the circumstances to Bro. GRANGER's address, from which we have derived them without alteration or modification.

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THIS approval of the course pursued by the Grand Lodge of Quebec towards the three Anglo-Montreal lodges furnishes just another instance of the value of practice as the only true criterion of the value of precept. In this instance the Committee have been making haste in a hurry without having fully mastered all the circumstances. In no other way can we count for this endorsement of conduct, which we do not hesitate to describe as opposed to the principles of the Craft. As we have said times without number, absolute freedom within the prescriptions of the Masonic law is the undoubted right of every member of our Society. Yet by countenancing and approving the conduct of Quebec, this Committee disallows the right of the English lodges in Montreal to exercise this freedom. Again, how can those same lodges be clandestine, and those lodges which were constituted by the same supreme authority—the Grand Lodge or Lodges of England—but afterwards had a hand in establishing the Grand Lodge of Canada, and are now part and parcel of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, be not clandestine? A lodge may have been created irregularly, and afterwards become absolved of its irregularity; but there can be no "ex post facto" irregularity of creation about a lodge which has been created regularly, nor is there any irregularity of conduct when a lodge obeys the prescriptions of the laws laid down by the authority which created and still governs it. Therefore the Grand Lodge of Quebec is stating the thing which is not when it pronounces our Anglo-Montreal lodges clandestine. But it is hardly worth while pursuing a subject which has already been worn pretty well threadbare; but, by way of showing how absurd is the claim of the Grand Lodge of Quebec to be supreme over lodges which were in existence before it was established, we will take the liberty of pointing out that if the three English lodges in Montreal are clandestine, then many of its own lodges must be clandestine likewise, having been constituted by the Grand Lodge or Lodges of England. In this case, it must follow that the Grand Lodge or Lodges of England must have been clandestine—in the sense of irregular—or have exercised its or their authority clandestinely in these and all other similar cases, the result of which position would be that the whole of Freemasonry derived from English sources—that is, by far the greater section of the whole Fraternity throughout the world—must be clandestine likewise. Of course, this is not so, and we only set forth this self-proposition in order to show to what lengths we may be carried, and in what difficulties landed, if we accept the dictation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec that the three lodges in question in Montreal are clandestine. We agree with the statement in the introduction to the excerpts from the proceedings of our Grand Lodge at the Quarterly Communication in June, 1885, which are given in this Report, pp. xlvii.-liii.—"that Grand Lodges of the States of the United States should at least intelligently understand what effect their recognition of such colonial Grand Lodges will produce." We further see the force of the argument in the proposition that "if brethren undertake to form Grand Lodges in these geographical districts, or colonies"—that is, of the United Kingdom—"of course, difficulties are created." We also hold that if other Grand Lodges fail in grasping the position of Masonic affairs in these matters, and do not take the sound advice of their Committee on Correspondence "to make haste slowly"—more difficulties will be created, and the last condition of Freemasonry will be worse than the first. It is because the Committee have not followed their own advice that we have dwelt on this matter at such length.

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WE offered some remarks lately on certain objectionable insinuations in a recent number of the *Toronto Freemason*. But though these insinuations were made by our contemporary against the Grand Lodge of New York in the interests of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, it is evident it has no very high opinion of the Quebec brethren. We judge so, at least, from its greeting to the *Masonic News*, of Montreal, the first number of which was published on the 10th July last, and has been kindly transmitted to us. The *Toronto Freemason* in bestowing its sympathy on its new contemporary writes, "There are only some two or three thousand Masons in all Quebec,

and as only a small percentage of the Craft in that jurisdiction will subscribe, it is evident the new venture will have a big job on hand to exist." The "new venture" very sensibly retorts "that Montreal is not *exactly* a suburb of Toronto, and that the Craft in Quebec are not *quite* so mean as he thinks." A fair retort and courteous withal. But if our Toronto friend has so very low an opinion of the Quebec brethren, and the support they are likely to extend to a Masonic newspaper, why is it so hot in its sympathy with their Grand Lodge in the Quebec-England difficulty? There are, of course, numbers of brethren who never trouble themselves about Masonic jurisdiction, and we have no intention of mixing up questions of Masonic law with the support or non-support extended to a "new venture" in the line of Masonic newspapers. But it is clear the Quebec Masons are thought meanly of in this respect, and meanness is not often confined to one class of conduct or conduct in one class of transactions. This makes it the more astonishing that the *Toronto Freemason* should sacrifice its own character for courtesy and the plainest decencies of criticism by attributing sordid motives to the Grand Lodge of New York, when the Grand Lodge of Quebec, to whose preposterous claims New York objects, is composed of brethren of whom the *Toronto* journal in question has formed so poor an estimate.

## UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND.

The September Quarterly Communication of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England and Wales was held in the Temple, Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen-street, on Wednesday evening. Bro. the R.W. General John Studholme Brownrigg, C.B., P.G.W., Provincial Grand Master for Surrey, occupied the throne. Bro. Hugh D. Sandeman, P.D.G.M. of Bengal, acted as Deputy Grand Master; Bro. the Rev. C. J. Martyn, P.G. Chap., D.P.G.M. of Suffolk, as G.S.W.; and Bro. the Rev. J. S. Brownrigg, P.G. Chap., D.P.G.M. for Berks and Bucks, as G.J.W. There were also present—

Bros. Rev. J. N. Palmer, G. Chap.; D. P. Cama, G. Treas.; T. Fenn, Pres. Board of Gen. Purposes; Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, G. Sec.; E. E. Wendt, G.S. (G.C.); Sir Bruce Seton, G.S.D.; Ralph Clutton, G.J.D.; J. E. Le Feuvre, G.J.D.; Sir Albert Woods (Garter), G.D.C.; R. G. Glover, Dep. G.D.C.; E. D. Davis, G.S.B.; A. Lucking, G.P.; W. H. Perryman, A.G.P.; Rev. H. Adair Pickard, P.G. Chap.; Rev. Canon Portal, P.G. Chap.; Rev. W. K. R. Bedford, P.G. Chap.; Rev. R. N. Sanderson, P.G. Chap.; Peter de L. Long, P.G.D.; Frank Richardson, P.G.D.; Brackstone Baker, P.G.D.; Robert Grey, P.G.D.; Raynham W. Stewart, P.G.D.; Baron de Ferrieres, P.G.D.; J. M. Case, P.G.D.; F. Davison, P.G.D.; Henry Maudsley, P.G.D.; C. W. C. Hutton, P.G.D.; J. S. Peirce, P.G.D.; J. Glaisher, P.G.D.; R. W. Wheeler, P.G.D.; Jabez Hogg, P.G.D.; Magnus Ohren, P.A.G.D. of C.; J. Lewis Thomas, P.A.G.D. of C.; Raymond H. Thrupp, P.A. G.D. of C.; Lieut.-Col. J. E. Taylor, P.G.S.B.; Major G. Lambert, P.G.S.B.; Edgar Bowyer, P.G.S.B.; Butler Wilkins, P.G.S.B.; Henry Garrod, P.G.P.; James Brett, P.G.P.; C. A. Cottebrune, P.G.P.; H. Sadler, G. Tyler; and others.

Grand Lodge having been opened in form, Grand Secretary, Bro. Col. SHADWELL H. CLERKE, read the minutes of the Quarterly Communication of the 2nd of June, which were confirmed, with the exception of the grant of £100 to a brother of No. 186, London, Grand Secretary informing the Grand Master in the chair that information had come to him that since the last Quarterly Communication the brother had died.

The following grants, recommended by the General Board of Benevolence, were then made:—

The widow of a brother of the Cestrian Lodge, No. 425, Chester	£75	0	0
A brother of the Royal Albert Lodge, No. 907, London	50	0	0
The widow of a brother of the St. George's and Corner Stone Lodge, No. 5, London	50	0	0
A brother of the Domestic Lodge, No. 177, London	50	0	0
A brother of the Zetland Lodge, No. 1005, Gloucester	50	0	0
The four orphan children of a brother of the St. Maurice Lodge, No. 1885, Plympton	50	0	0
A brother of the Lodge of Unity, No. 183, London	50	0	0
A brother of the Lodge of Israel, No. 205, London	150	0	0
A brother of the Prudent Brethren Lodge, No. 145, London	100	0	0
A brother of the Lodge of Fortitude and Old Cumberland, No. 12, London	100	0	0

The following Report of the Board of General Purposes was taken as read, and was received, and ordered to be entered on the minutes:—

### 3.—REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES:

To the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England.

The Board of General Purposes beg to report that they have received an application from Messrs Malby and Sons, the tenants of the premises in Middle Yard, for a renewal of their present lease, which expires September, 1889, for a term of 21 years.

The Board having considered the application, recommended that a renewal of the lease until the 24th June, 1905, be granted at the present rental of £150 per annum.

(Signed) THOMAS FENN,  
Freemasons' Hall, London, W.C.

President.

17th August, 1886.

To the report is subjoined a statement of the Grand Lodge accounts at the last meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Friday, the 13th day of August inst., showing a balance in the Bank of England (Western Branch) of £3650 3s. 1d., and in the hands of the Grand Secretary for petty cash £100, and for servants' wages £100, and balance of annual allowance for library £14 17s. 3d.

Bro. THOMAS FENN, President of the Board, said he had now to propose, according to the recommendation of the Board, that Grand Lodge should grant a renewal of the lease to Messrs. Malby and Sons, of premises in their possession, to the 24th June, 1905, at the present rental of £150 a year, these premises had been in the possession of Messrs. Malby since 1868, they had built for their present purposes, and they were called upon now by the Government to spend £300 or £400 for a strong room, for the better security of the maps and plates of which they were printers, engravers, and lithographers. The Board recommended that instead of a 27 years lease, which was asked for, a lease should be granted to June 1905, which was the period when the lease of the Tavern would terminate, and the Board desired that, if possible, the other leases granted by Grand Lodge should terminate at the same period in order that they might at the termination of the lease of the Tavern, be free and unfettered with regard to their other property. He therefore proposed that the recommendation of the Board be adopted.

Bro. C. F. HOGARD seconded the motion.

Bro. RAYNHAM W. STEWART, P.G.D., wished to know if the lease was to be granted free of all charges, such as land tax, and title. They were

bound to take care to make the best bargain they could, there was a great deal of discretion required.

Bro. THOS. FENN said the Board recommended that the lease should be granted on the same terms as before.

Bro. BRACKSTONE BAKER, P.G.D., observed, that looking at the great extension of Masonry, and the probability that during the next 21 years Grand Lodge would require all the space which Messrs. Malby and Sons had for subsidiary rooms, was it right to let to these gentlemen upon the same terms as those granted 25 years ago. Property had increased in value in that time, and so had Masonry increased. Grand Lodge might require these premises before the lease expired, and in that case the lessees would require a very heavy sum of money to release them. Had the Board considered this? If they had, he had nothing more to say.

Bro. THOMAS FENN replied that the Board had considered that question. Bro. Brackstone Baker would hardly for a moment suppose Grand Lodge could make use of these premises, which consisted of a very narrow slip of building with no light in front, of very small depth, and only fitted for the purposes for which it was now used. Grand Lodge could make no possible use of it. It was adjoining the dining-room. He did not suppose they could find any other tenant who would give £150 a year, but it suited Messrs. Malby's purposes, and the Board considered it was only right, as Messrs. Malby had to spend some money on it, and had been the tenants of Grand Lodge a great many years, that they should have a renewal of their lease at the same rental as before.

Bro. C. W. C. HUTTON, P.G.D., was exceedingly sorry at any time to differ from Bro. Brackstone Baker, because he knew he was actuated by the best motives, but he thought he might not be possibly aware of the change that had taken place in the value of property of every description, both urban and provincial, agricultural and house, within the last few years. For his own part, although having only a superficial knowledge of the subject, he thought Grand Lodge had great reason to congratulate the President of the Board of General Purposes on having achieved such a success, and the concluding of such excellent terms with Messrs. Malby, and he thought Grand Lodge should confirm it.

Bro. J. SAMPSON PEIRCE, P.G.D., said what fell from Bro. Brackstone Baker no doubt was dictated by the best possible motives. It was not a question of urban or suburban or provincial, according to Bro. Hutton, but it was a question of space, and space of almost yards or superficial yards adjoining Grand Lodge's present buildings. That was the point to which Bro. Brackstone Baker wished to draw attention—whether the Board of General Purposes had done the very best they could, or whether they had not been for once confused; he had great confidence in the business capacity of their Board of General Purposes. But, at the same time, he thought Bro. Brackstone Baker had done some little service in drawing their attention to the fact that, whilst they were closing up these walls, and whilst they were requiring enlargements, every square yard they had in contiguity with the present premises they occupied should be looked upon with the greatest possible attention.

The motion was then carried.

The next business was the laying before Grand Lodge of the annual report of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and the Widows of Freemasons, dated the 21st May, 1886, including the following alterations in the laws: "Rule 2 to read 'The Grand Master for the time being shall be President of the Institution. The Treasurer of the Institution shall be elected annually on the third Friday in May.'" "To alter Rule 14 by erasing the word 'Grand' on the third and sixth lines on page 14, and the word 'Grand' on the fifth line of page 15."

Bro. JABEZ HOGG, P.G.D., in introducing the subject, said the observations should be very few which he thought it necessary to make in asking Grand Lodge to sanction an alteration in the rules of the Benevolent Institution, which met with the unanimous concurrence of the brethren who took an interest in that Institution; but, for the information of the brethren who had not served on the Committees, he might say that the change in the annual election of Treasurer of Grand Lodge had been found not unattended with inconvenience to all the Institutions, inasmuch as that annual change in the holder of the office of Grand Treasurer involved not only an unnecessary delay in the transaction of a good deal of the business, but involved the Institutions in a good deal of expenditure. According to the rules, the President and the Treasurer were always part of the Trustees of these Institutions, and the now changing of the Grand Treasurer involved the annual change in the names of some of those Trustees, and inconvenience to the Committee and the Secretary in getting the alterations made annually. In the other Institutions—the Boys' and the Girls'—Grand Lodge had already sanctioned the alteration which was now asked for the Benevolent Institution, which was that they might not be compelled to elect their Treasurer annually, and the alteration they saw on the agenda paper was to enable them to elect a Treasurer, whom they hoped to elect year after year to fulfil the duties not only of Treasurer, but of Trustee, which was part of his duty, and thereby save a good deal of money, as well as a great deal of trouble to the officers of the Institution. He therefore asked Grand Lodge to sanction this alteration, which was more formal than anything else.

Bro. RAYNHAM W. STEWART, P.G.D., with great pleasure, seconded the motion.

Bro. S. PARKHOUSE, P.M. No. 1642, asked the opinion of Bro. Fenn whether, after this alteration was confirmed, Bro. Edgar Bowyer would still be Treasurer of the Institution. Bro. Bowyer's name was now on the list of officers of the Institution as Treasurer.

Bro. Canon PORTAL, P.G.C., asked whether this question was before Grand Lodge at all. He thought Grand Lodge had nothing to do but to accept this report.

Bro. BRACKSTONE BAKER, P.G.D., said it was for information only.

General BROWNRIFF did not understand there was any motion to be made upon this report, which was only information given to Grand Lodge.

Bro. PARKHOUSE expressed himself as quite satisfied.

Bro. J. S. CUMBERLAND, W.M. Northern Counties Lodge, asked whether it was clearly understood that the rules of the Benevolent Institution were to be altered or acted upon legally before being reported to Grand Lodge for confirmation. Was it absolutely necessary that any alteration of the rules of the Benevolent Institution should be submitted to Grand Lodge? If not, for what purpose were they submitted at all?

General BROWNRIFF: For information.

Bro. CUMBERLAND: If it be for confirmation, until it is confirmed, I rather think it is a mistake to act upon it. I ask for information. It may crop up again. I think it will. If by that report, which is under the Grand Lodge of England, we have the power to alter the rules and act upon them immediately, without confirmation, what is the good of reporting them to

Grand Lodge except as our brother said for information and not for confirmation.

Bro. THOMAS FENN did not think the question was before Grand Lodge at all. If the question was to be raised it ought to be raised by notice of motion, and therefore he did not think they could discuss it now. He had been asked to give an opinion, and he was quite prepared to give it, but he did not think he should do so without notice. If notice was given, and the question raised, they could discuss it.

Bro. General BROWNRIFF afterwards said he found that this subject should be put to Grand Lodge for confirmation.

The alteration was then put to Grand Lodge, and confirmed by 27 against 14 votes.

Bro. CUMBERLAND said that before next meeting he should give a notice.

Bro. PARKHOUSE would only ask one question. Who was at the present time Treasurer of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution? If the Grand Treasurer for the time being was the Treasurer of the Institution, and on the face of the Book of the Institution Bro. Edgar Bowyer was Treasurer, who was the Treasurer now that this resolution was passed?

Bro. General BROWNRIFF said they could not discuss that.

The second alteration, that of Rule 14, by erasing the word "Grand," or the third and sixth lines on page 14, and the word "Grand" on the fifth line of page 15, was then confirmed, and Grand Lodge was closed in form, and adjourned.

### BRO. J. C. PARKINSON, P.G.D.

We are indebted to the *World* for another of those sketches of well-known men, under the heading of "Celebrities at Home," apparently by the same pen as the former. It is sufficiently interesting in itself to justify our transferring it to the columns of the *Freemason*, but the position of Bro. Parkinson in the Craft, and his well-known ability as an exponent of its ceremonies render it more than ordinarily interesting to Freemasons.

"Literature and journalism, moving westwards, have of late years found a congenial abode in the innumerable flats which form the characteristic feature of the thoroughfare which leads from the Broad Sanctuary to Pimlico, and covers the site of the old Almonry where Wm. Caxton first set up his printing-press. Smoke and time have somewhat dimmed the pristine glories of its Portland cement pilasters, cornices, corbels, and keystones, and even the four storeys of Venetian windows, with their ornate architrave dressings, wholly fail to prepare you for the comfort and brightness you are likely to find within. The London season was almost at an end when you passed through the modest portals at the foot of the common staircase, and found yourself suddenly transferred from the sober sadness of Victoria-street to an entrance-hall which savours rather of some cosy country mansion than of Westminster. Oriental rugs are spread over the floor; Earle's mezzotints of Hogarth's "Marriage à la Mode" are hung on the wall; the stuffed head of a four-horned sheep, bred in Collier's Wood, surmounts a collection of bullet-riddled helmets, gashed fezzes, and bent bayonets from Tel-el-Kebir; in an adjoining trophy the assegais of Zululand are mingled with the weapons of an Arab sheikh from the wilderness of Judea, and a Nova Scotia moose keeps watch and ward over an inner door to the right, on one side of which, by an untoward accident of arrangement, Albert Edward, Grand Master of Freemasons, turns his back contemptuously and unfraternally on his great uncle and predecessor, the "first gentleman" of his time. This year no deputation of Welsh bards invades this picturesque vestibule to claim the presence of J. C. Parkinson, "Aman" at the Eisteddfod Freiniol Genedlaethol. Twelve months since he was busily engaged, as President of the Second Day, in putting the finishing touches to his inaugural address on "The Celtic Genius;" but the unmistakable preparations you encounter manifestly relate to a voyage across the Atlantic, and tell you that "Aman" will assuredly be missed at Caerwys. Mr. Parkinson has little leisure just now, but he will manage to spare you half an hour; so you pass under the moose's head, and find yourself in a well-lighted study looking out on the deserted site of Tothill Fields' Prison, where the proposed Catholic cathedral has not yet been commenced. The octagon table near the window is littered with books and papers; the *Daily News*, as an old and privileged friend, is allowed to hide John Bright's Speeches and Froude's "Oceana;" the last summons to the Court of the Needle-makers is concealed by a pile of Newport Dock returns and the statistics of the Powell Duffryn Steam Coal Company; the red passenger's ticket of the Fulda peeps out from amongst a heap of letters and communications from the Royal Literary Fund, the Incorporated Society of Authors, the International Literary and Artistic Association, the general and political Committees of the Reform Club and half a dozen Masonic lodges, all of which have serious claims on the attention of the man who has only just returned from his morning ride, and now rises to welcome you to his workroom.

As you sit down beside him in one of the low roomy easy-chairs (from the undisputed possession of which Scissors, an old fashioned English spaniel, is tenderly ejected) your eye first lights on a statuette of W. M. Thackeray, with his hands in his pockets, placed between an olive-wood tobacco-box from Jerusalem and the Lower Boys' pulling-cup which Joseph Parkinson's son has won at Eton. The author of *Vanity Fair* looks on the great coloured bust of Shakespeare (a facsimile of that on the Stratford tomb), which appropriately crowns the bookcase, filled with the best editions of the English classics. In the corner near the door a portrait of Frederick Yates (once in Paddy Green's collection) finds a place above the picture of "Atlas." Close by you see Julius Mayhew's sketch of his brother Horace doing his "last bit of copy" for *Punch*, and recognise the features of S. B. Bancroft, Douglas Jerrold, and Peter Cunningham, who has added to the value of his portrait by a brief inscription. You are soon deeply interested in the sketch of the twelve leading writers for *Punch* (all of them dead and gone now), and the portraits and autographs of Miss Nightingale, Charles Dickens, W. M. Thackeray, and Dr. Doran. Mr. Parkinson fetches his collection of letters for your amusement, and in five minutes you have forgotten all about Victoria-street and the pressing engagements of your host. You pass rapidly from Hood to Tennyson, Albert Smith to Henry Brougham, and Charles Kingsley to Charles Mathews; French art and literature are represented by Gustave Doré and Théophile Gautier; Harriet Martineau writes despondently both of Disraeli and Gladstone; Dean Stanley comes next to Sir Alexander Cockburn, and Wilkie Collins to Ouida; a reserved ticket for the fight for the championship between King and Heenan irreverently faces an epistle from Cardinal Manning on the subject of the Poor Law Board; and on the next page Giuseppe Garibaldi writes his thanks to "Mio caro Parkinson." A water-colour drawing of Mr. Parkinson's living-room in his cottage near Grosswardien, six hours'



journey from Pesth, which rests on the ledge of the bookcase, turns the conversation abruptly from literature to viniculture; and as you chat pleasantly of many countries, you cross the entrance-hall to the dining-room, where you see Mr. W. P. Frith's portrait by himself, commenced in 1839 and finished after a lapse of thirty years, and the Queen Anne plate presented to Mr. Parkinson by Sir George Elliot, "in recognition of important services." In the corridor outside you are interested in the romantic reminiscences of a rack of walking-sticks. Henry M. Stanley cut one at Ujigi, "where I found Livingstone," and gave it to J. C. Parkinson; Max Wirth gave him another at Vienna in 1885; in 1880 he brought one from Bombay, and in 1869 another from Jericho.

All you see in this historic Victoria-street flat begets a craving for knowledge, and you return with your companion to his study in the hopes of hearing something of his life before he forsook, to a certain extent, the domain of literature for that of finance. Joseph Parkinson comes of a race of successful merchants: he received his earliest business training in the York City and County Bank at Malton, in the heart of the country sacred to horse-racing and training stables. He remembers affectionately many northcountry worthies of the Turf, the ringing of the church bells when a Malton horse was victorious, and the falls and rises of the local banking accounts in accordance with the varying fortunes of the Malton stables at Doncaster or Epsom. Lord Ossington gave him a place in the Revenue Department at Somerset House, and it was there that he made the acquaintance of Alfred Dickens, who helped him to gain his first footing in journalism and literature. The Civil Service was then a *terra incognita*; the signification of "something under Government" was as vague as that of "something in the City"; but Mr. Parkinson produced a concise manual which made the functions of the new Commissioners in Cannon-row clear to the general public. His colleagues had hardly recovered from their astonishment at his audacity when the adroit handling of a weekly letter to a provincial newspaper introduced him to Mr. J. R. Robinson, of the *Daily News*. His graphic and minute account of the execution of the "Flowery Land" pirates was read aloud to a crowded House of Commons, and his success as a contributor to the London press was soon assured. Then came the time of Poor Law reform, and Mr. Parkinson espoused the cause of the weak with much eloquence and energy. In a short while, Joseph Parkinson had become a prolific writer of articles to order, and Charles Dickens welcomed him on the staff of *All the Year Round*. Some of the commissions he received for work from the great novelist are well worth recording. Here is a random specimen from Mr. Parkinson's album which has never yet seen the light:

"*All Year Round Office, 12th Feb. 1867.*  
I want the most ferocious and bitter attack made upon the President of the Poor Law Board, under the title of 'What is Sensational?' which can possibly be made by you, a writer who respects himself and his vocation. . . . Is it sensational to be poor, abject, wretched, dying? . . . Is the commonest humanity, the narrowest charity, sensational? What is this official's view of the New Testament? A sensational performance, surely! The Good Samaritan? A highly sensational character! The Twelve Apostles? What a sensational dozen! Their Divine Master? Inconveniently and notably sensational!"

Two years later, Mr. Parkinson published a volume of his collected sketches, entitled "Places and People," beginning with Jamrach's and ending with Sunday dog-shows. He is next seen amongst Ishmail Pasha's guests at the opening of the Suez Canal, where the Empress Eugenie and the Crown Prince of Prussia met, in happy unconsciousness of the impending war. He visited Palestine and proceeded to India as the historiographer of the submarine cable. The outcome of the expedition was a second volume, "The Ocean Telegraph." In 1886 he married a daughter of Sir George Elliot, but continued his literary work with undiminished ardour till 1873, when he was first associated with his father-in-law in some of the important commercial enterprises in the concerns of which he has ever since played a prominent part. Commerce and finance have gained what literature has lost. The once brilliant writer in the *Daily News* is now an authority on all questions of exports and imports, the geological features of new "winnings," inventions for securing safety of life in mines, and many other equally abstruse subjects. He has seen the trade of Newport quadruple since he undertook, eleven years ago, the management of the Alexandra Docks; he discharges the onerous duties of J.P. and D.L. for Monmouthshire to the satisfaction of the county; he makes excellent speeches at all kinds of convivial gatherings, and, as becomes an eminent Freemason and Grand Officer, is said to be one of the most effective exponents of the impressive ritual of the Fraternity. He has revived the Needle-makers' Company and the Bard of Avon Lodge, which both enjoy his special protection, and hardly a minute of his working-day is ever unoccupied. He is generally to be seen in the Row early in the morning, and is rarely missed at "first nights." He is explaining to you with commendable lucidity the last international copyright complication, when a note comes from Mr. Henry Irving, which compels him to return to the all-important question of the approaching expedition in the Fulda, concerning which Mr. Joseph Parkinson entertains the most pleasurable anticipations; and it will doubtless be a consolation to the Welsh bards and sages who are now assembled in all the panoply of Druidic splendour at Caerwys to know that their talented *confrère* "Aman" has been within the last few days the guest of the President of the United States, and the object of a festive American welcome.

## II. CONSTITUTIONS OF A.D. 1738-46.\*

The 2nd edit. of the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of England is a much more important work, in a literary sense, than that of the premier volume of 1723; as the History is of a much more interesting, extensive, and modern character. For the first time we obtain particulars of the "Revival" of 1716-7, and an account of the origin and progress of the first Grand Lodge. The official Records do not begin, strange to say, until 1723, so that were it not for such a work as the 2nd edit. of the Constitutions, we should lack an official narrative of the Proceedings from 1717 to then. It is quarto in size, as its predecessor, the Title page being as follows: "The New Book of Constitutions of the Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, containing their History, Charges, Regulations, &c., Collected and Digested By Order of the Grand Lodge from their old Records, faithful Traditions and Lodge Books, For the Use of the Lodges, By James Anderson, D.D., London. Printed for Brothers Caesar Ward, and Richard Chandler, Booksellers, at the Ship with Temple Bar; and Sold at their Shops in Coney-street, York, and at Scarborough Spaw,

\* No. 1 of the series, Constitutions A.D. 1723, will be found in the *Freemason* for June 26th, 1886.—Ed. F.M.

MDCCXXXVIII In the Vulgar Year of Masonry 5738." The Frontispiece is similar to the one of 1723, by Bro. John Pine, the Engraver of the "Lists." Then follows the "Dedication to the Most High, Puissant and most Illustrious Prince Frederick Lewis, Prince Royal of Great Britain, &c. A Master Mason and Master of a Lodge." This is signed by James Anderson (the chief Author of the Work), making with the Title vi. pages. The Arms Plate of the Prince of Wales is by "J. Pine, Sculpt." The *Author to the Reader* beginning at page vii. runs on to x., also signed by James Anderson, and dated "From my Study in Exeter-Court, Strand, 4 Nov., 1738," in which it is stated "The History is now in three Parts, and each Part in seven Chapters." At page xi. "The Sanction" is given (including the approval of the Earl of Darnley as G.M. and the Grand Lodge on 25 Jan., 1738), signed by the Marquis of "Caernarvon," G.M., John Ward, D.G.M., George Graham and Andrew Robinson, Grand Wardens, and "John Revis, Secretary," but bears no date. As the Grand Master however was installed on April 27, 1738, the period in which it could occur must have been between then and the end of the year. My impression is that the Book of Constitutions, 1738, was sanctioned at the Installation Festival by Lord Carnarvon, but that it was intended to have been published early in the year as at page 199. "The Approbation of this Book of the Constitutions," signed by Lord Darnley, and his chief officers is inserted, so that evidently the unpagged sheet of the "Sanction" following immediately after page x. (with a fine Arms Plate at the back (really p. xi.), utilized from the one engraved for the List of Lodges by Pine), was rendered necessary by the unexpected delay. It is quite clear that the volume was not for sale until early in 1739, for one or more of the Lodges on the List of those for London was not warranted until that year.

The History proper begins at page i of the regular text, Chapter III. (Part III.), at page 106 introducing us to the "Revival" and formation of the Grand Lodge of England, the narrative of which ends at Chapter VII., p. 159. Then follow a list of the "Grand Masters or Patrons of the Free Masons in England, from the coming of the Anglo-Saxons to these times, who are mention'd in this Book" (a curious collection of names), the "Old Charges" beginning at page 143. This Edition of the Laws is remarkable for an alteration in the premier charge "concerning God and Religion," in which the new phrase occurs of "a true Noachida," the older and better form however of 1723, being again used in 1756, and later editions. The "Antient Manner of Constituting a Lodge" is then duly detailed (though some of us think the word *modern* would have more exactly described the formula) and then the General Regulations are commenced, those of the "Old" being side by side with the "New," on each page.

"A List of Lodges in and about London and Westminster" occupying pages 184 to 190, is an interesting compilation, the numbers running consecutively to 106, but being all for London and Westminster, the numeration is of no value for comparison.

The "Deputations" then follow, Prov. Grand Masters and also lodges in the provinces being included, the list ending with the lodge at Halifax, Yorkshire, of August 1st, 1738, now the Lodge of Probity, No. 61, but then No. 176. The "Deputations sent beyond sea," and other items of information are then printed, and we thus reach page 199, having the "Approbation," to which allusion has already been made. Some of the usual *Free-Masons'* songs take up the space until 215th page is exhausted, the following page beginning "A Defence of Masonry," published A.D. 1730. Occasion'd by a Pamphlet call'd *Masonry Dissected*," which, to my mind, is one of the ablest productions ever written or published. I have never heard of, or met with this pamphlet issued separately in 1730.

A curious composition is then reproduced, entitled "Brother Euclid's Letter to the Author Against Unjust Cavils," which commences about the middle of page 226, ending at the 228th, signed "Your true and faithful Brother, Euclid," (the 47th problem being depicted below), and dated "From our old Lodge, the Horn [now No. 4, London], in New Palace-yard, Westminster, this 2d Thursday, or 9th Nov., in the Vulgar Year of Masonry 5738." [Old style, of course.]

The next two pages are taken up with a list of brethren and lodges who encouraged the author, the last two pages (231-2) having on one side the corrigenda (addressed to the "Accurate Reader"—"Pray correct these with your pen, or any others you find;" and on the other an advertisement of works published by the booksellers, C. Ward and R. Chandler, aforesaid.

Apparently J. Robinson, Ludgate-st., bought the "remainder" of the edition of 1738, and having cancelled the original title page, he had another printed and inserted, only with the year "5746," instead of 1738. As the later issue of 1746 must have been but few, compared with that of 1738, copies are rarely met with, and the work is a curiosity, especially with a frontispiece. The volume was not a reprint, as some suppose; but in every sense the 1738 edition originally issued, only with a new title page of 1746 as follows:—

"The History and Constitutions of the Most Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, Containing An Account of Masonry I. From the Creation throughout the known Earth, till true Architecture was demolished by the Goths, and at last revived in Italy. II.—From Julius Caesar and the first Arrival of the Saxons in Britain. III.—From the Union of the Crowns of England and Scotland, in the Person of King James the First to the present time.

To which are added:—

- I.—A List of the Grand Masters or Patrons of the Free Masons in England from the coming in of the Anglo-Saxons and their Times, who are mentioned in this work.
- II.—The Old Charges of the Masons, collected from their earliest Records, at the Command of his Grace the Duke of Montague.
- III.—The manner of Constituting a Lodge.
- IV.—The General Regulations of the free and accepted Masons, both Ancient and Modern, in distinct Columns.
- V.—The Constitution of the Committee of their Charity.
- VI.—A List of the Lodges in and about London and Westminster, with the Deputations of several Grand Masters, for the forming of Lodges in Wales, the remote parts of England, and in foreign Realms.
- VII.—The Songs sung at the Lodges.
- VIII.—A Defence of Masonry occasioned by a Pamphlet called *Masonry Dissected*, with Brother Euclid's Letter to the Author against unjust Cavils.

By James Anderson, D.D.

London: Printed and sold by J. Robinson, at the Golden Lion in Ludgate-street. In the Vulgar Year of Masonry 5746." [1746.]

In all other respects the issue of 1746 is that of 1738, the book not being a reprint, as some state. The frontispiece is also the same in each volume, so that, excepting the title page, it is really the same work. Strange to say, the "Constitutions" of 1738 have never been reprinted in England, and only once in the United States.

## ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR GIRLS.

### ENTERTAINMENT BY BRO. ALDERMAN SAVORY.

On Thursday, the 26th ult., in response to the kind invitation of Bro. Alderman Savory, 197, the pupils in the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, together with Miss Davis and most of the governesses, visited his seat, Buckhurst Park.

A special train left Clapham Junction at 9.30 a.m., and at Sunningdale about twenty carriages met the party, and drove them to the park.

Amongst the guests invited to meet the children we noticed Bro. Edgar Bowyer, V.-Pat., and Bro. H. A. Hunt, members of the House Committee, Mrs. Shadwell H. and Miss Clerke, Bro. Charles Fred. Hogard, V.P., Mr. A. P. Bowyer, as well as numerous other friends of the kind host.

Swings, lawn tennis, and boats were provided for the children's amusement, but what they appeared to enjoy most were the donkey rides, two of these patient animals being fully occupied all day in ministering to their equestrian performances.

After dinner, most of the ladies, attended by Mr. A. P. Bowyer, drove over to the Holloway College, and inspected the buildings and picture gallery, but we think we are correct in stating that this visit did not cause any envious feelings in the bosoms of either Miss Davis or her coadjutors, and that they are still quite content with their abode at Clapham.

After tea, Bro. BOWYER, in a few well chosen words, expressed the thanks of the children and all present for the hospitality of Bro. Savory and his mother, Mrs. Savory, and the hearty "yes" of all present when he asked if they joined with him in this vote of thanks showed that his words were fully adopted.

Bro. SAVORY, in acknowledging the vote, expressed a hope that the visit would be repeated another year, and in fact that it would become an annual one—a wish which we feel sure all would desire to see fulfilled.

## ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE ELEANOR CROSS LODGE, No. 1764.

The annual picnic in connection with this lodge took place on Thursday, the 26th ult., the locale selected being the beautiful grounds of Wakefield Lawn. The party—which numbered some 40 of the brethren and their friends—started from the bottom of the Guildhall-road in three brakes, and included Bros. G. Ellard, W.M., P.G.D.C.; G. Butcher, P.P.G.C.; R. Shearman, Gould, Ingram, and T. Emery, S.W., all of the lodge; Butler Wilkins, D.P.G.M.; T. Phipps Dorman, H. Tebbutt, E. B. Fletcher, 360; A. Cockerill, J.W. 360; T. Franklin, Dr. Gripper, Mr. F. Hollis, and others.

Towcester was reached at about 12 o'clock, and here the party was joined by several members of the Fidelity Lodge, including Bros. P.M.'s Oldham, R. M. Maclure, Simmons, and Jones; and W. Smith, who proceeded to Wakefield in a four-horse brake. The destination was reached at one p.m., and an immediate move was made for the marquee, where a dainty luncheon was served, to which substantial justice was rendered. Bro. Ellard, W.M., presided, supported by Bro. Wilkins, D.P.G.M., and faced by Bro. Emery, S.W. The toasts were limited to two—"The Queen," which was briefly but happily given by the CHAIRMAN, and "The Duke of Grafton," whose kindness in granting the use of the park was duly acknowledged.

The company then separated—some to view the house, gardens, and kennels; others to lawn tennis, cricket, and quids; others to boating and fishing. Tea came on at six, after which dancing was commenced to the strains of a quadrille band, and at eight there was a display of fireworks on the lawn by Mr. T. Phipps Dorman, after which a move was made for home, which was duly reached soon after 10. The day was on all hands pronounced most enjoyable, and the Committee, who had spent much time and labour in making the necessary arrangements, had their reward in the full enjoyment of all concerned.

## PROPOSED TESTIMONIAL TO THE PROVINCIAL GRAND SECRETARY OF SUSSEX.

The rapid advance of Freemasonry in Sussex during the past few years has greatly increased the hitherto arduous duties of the Provincial Grand Secretary. Bro. V. P. Freeman, of Brighton, has occupied that responsible position for several years, and discharged the duties of his office with marked ability and to the great satisfaction of every member of the Craft in the province. The recent installation of the Duke of Connaught as Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, in succession to the late Sir W. W. Burrell, Bart., entailed an additional amount of labour which can only be realised by those who took an active part in perfecting the arrangements. The great success of the gathering was in a great measure due to the untiring zeal and practical knowledge of detail possessed by Bro. Freeman. As the office of Provincial Grand Secretary is entirely honorary, several brethren thought the time had come when Bro. Freeman's long and valued services should receive substantial recognition at the hands of the brethren. At a recent meeting of the South Saxon Lodge, at Lewes, the Mayor of that town (Bro. Farncombe) proposed a resolution embodying this idea, and it was unanimously adopted, with an instruction to the W.M. of that lodge that he should take steps to give effect thereto.

On Saturday last a preliminary meeting of the Provincial Grand Officers and Masters of lodges in the province was held at the Pavilion Hotel, Brighton, under the presidency of the R.W. the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Sussex, Bro. J. Henderson Scott, to take into consideration the recommendation of the brethren of the South Saxon Lodge. Those present were unanimous in adopting the idea, and on the motion of Bro. DAWES, P.G.W., seconded by Bro. FARNCOMBE, P.P.G.S., a Committee was formed to make the necessary arrangements and collect subscriptions. Bro. Freeman was spoken of in the highest terms, and the idea was generally expressed that it was the most popular movement inaugurated of late years in the province. Since the resolution was passed by the South Saxon Lodge, Bro. Freeman has had the very great misfortune to lose his wife, after a painful illness, and deep sympathy was expressed towards him in his great trial.

The Hon. Secretaries appointed were Bros. Kidd, Daniel, and Burfield, Asst. P.G. Sec., who will be pleased to receive subscriptions. Bro. R. Crosskey was elected Treasurer to the Fund, and a large amount was collected in the room. There is no doubt, as the well-trying services of Bro. Freeman are known and appreciated far beyond the Province of Sussex, that many "foreign" brethren will heartily join in paying a well-deserved tribute to one of the most hard-working and painstaking Masons in the South of England. The idea is that the testimonial shall take the form of a purse of money, accompanied by an illuminated address.

## SINGULAR FATALITIES.

The two lodges—Angel, 51, and United, 697—have just had the unique but sad experience of each losing its Senior Deacon in the short space of one week. The S.D. of No. 51—Bro. R. C. Knight—died on the 27th of August, after a brief illness, and was buried at Colchester cemetery on Monday last, some 20 brethren, including the W.M.'s of both lodges, attending at the grave-side and depositing the usual emblems. The S.D. of No. 697—Bro. A. J. Norman—was buried at the Colchester cemetery on the same day. Bro. Knight died, between 40 and 50 brethren being present. The circumstance of Bro. Norman's death was most painful. He called at a friend's house in London, en route for Bournemouth, and feeling unwell went to a chemist for a draught, and the chemist by mistake put 1½ drachms of carbolic acid, in the mixture, instead of the same quantity of bismuth. After drinking it, Bro. Norman complained of pain in the sides, and that his tongue was dried up, also that the mixture tasted like creosote. The chemist at once thought something was wrong, and an examination of his bottles confirming his suspicions, he administered an antidote, but to no avail, the poor fellow dying in five minutes after taking the draught.

At the inquest the medical men, who made a post-mortem, stated that deceased's heart was in such a state of fatty degeneration they could not say whether the poison killed him, or whether the fright from knowing he had taken poison brought on syncope. The jury, however, returned a verdict that he died from the poison, and, while exonerating the chemist from culpable negligence, cautioned him to be more careful in future in dispensing his drugs. The chemist said he had been in practice for 30 years and had never met with such a misfortune before.

## HISTORY OF THE SQUARE.

Pliny says that Theodorus, a Greek of Samos, invented the square and level, but the square figure is seen in the represented designs of the Tower of Babel, one of the earliest important known structures. The city of Babylon was a perfect square, and the bricks used in its buildings and walls were square; so probably were those in Babel. Now, to form small squares correctly, and to introduce them in endless combination into buildings, it needed a grinding instrument of some kind. So the square, as a constructive tool, came into use.

Among the ruins of Babylon, Ninevah, and Petra it is said to have been found represented. There are pictures and sculptures from the ruins of Thebes, in Egypt, showing the square in the hands of the artisan.

Evidences of its use are also seen in ruins in India, which are thought by some to antedate those found in Egypt. Among the ruins of the Aztecs, or people before them, in Peru and Brazil, it has also been found; and though tools of stone and flint, such as axes, hatchets, hammers, &c., were doubtless the first used by primitive man in these ruins that date back beyond history, the square is found, and specimens may be seen in the British Museum.

The square was regarded by the ancients as a symbol of completeness. Simonides speaks of a man square as to his hands, feet, and mind. Aristotle uses a similar figure. —*New Zealand Mail.*

## The Craft Abroad.

LODGE WAIKOUAITI, 2115 (E.C.).  
In the unavoidable absence of the R.W.D.G.M., Wor. Bro. S. James, D.G.S., acting as D.G.M., accompanied by D.D.G.M., W. Bro. C. de Longueville Graham and the principal officers of the D.G.L. (E.C.), proceeded to Waikouaiti on July 13th for the purpose of consecrating Lodge Waikouaiti 2115 (E.C.), and assisting at the installation of the W.M. and investiture of officers. The lodge was opened in the afternoon, and after some working in the Third Degree, acting D.G.M. Wor. Bro. James, D.D.G.M. Wor. Bro. C. de L. Graham, and the officers of the D.G.L. were announced by the D.G.D. of C., Bro. Hunt. After they had been admitted and saluted, M.W. Bro. D. K. Rhodes requested the acting D.G.M. to consecrate the lodge. Prayer having been offered up by the D.G. Chap., Bro. Rev. W. Ronaldson, the D.D.G.M. read the warrant from the Grand Lodge of England. The acting D.G.M. then proceeded to consecrate the lodge in due and ancient form, and was assisted in the scattering and pouring out of the elements by acting D.G.S.W., Bro. F. S. Peterkin, acting D.G.J.W., Bro. Cochrane, and D.G.J.D., Bro. Leach. The consecration prayer having been offered up by the D.G. Chaplain, the acting D.G.M. dedicated the lodge, and this part of the proceedings terminated. A Board of Installed Masters was then formed, and Bro. C. de L. Graham installed Bro. Thomas Smith in the chair of K.S. for the ensuing term. Honours having been paid to the newly-installed W.M., the following officers were invested with the insignia of their respective offices: Bros. D. K. Rhodes, I.P.M.; F. A. Green, S.W.; W. Henderson, J.W.; E. Campbell, P.M., Treas.; J. Allen, S.D.; M'Lea, J.D.; H. W. Hilton, Sec.; G. M'Leod, I.G.; and I. Pemberton, Tyler. The Installing Officer having addressed the officers and brethren, the lodge was closed. There were about 60 members and visitors present, and amongst the latter were representatives from the majority of the Otago lodges working under the E.C. The consecration and installation ceremonies were carried out in a perfect manner, a visiting brother from Port Chalmers officiating at the organ. During the proceedings the retiring W.M., Bro. D. K. Rhodes, was presented with a handsome P.M.'s jewel by Bro. Campbell, P.M., who made a very happy and appropriate speech; in fact, it was far above

the average of what is generally heard on such occasions. Bro. Rhodes, I.P.M., expressed his thanks to the brethren for the honour they had done him. The D.G.L. officers and other visitors were subsequently entertained at a banquet in the Town Hall, at the conclusion of which the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured. The Dunedin visitors left for home early the next morning, thoroughly satisfied with the manner in which they had been treated.

## LODGE ZEALANDIA, No. 2072 (E.C.)

The installation of officers of this lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Whangaroa, on the 19th May. Bro. C. Gothard, W.M. elect, who was duly installed with the customary services, was saluted by the brethren in the Three Degrees, after which the newly-installed W.M. invested his officers as follows: Bros. P. Davison, S.W.; H. W. Bishop, J.W.; J. Christie, Treas.; R. Shepherd, Sec.; C. L. White, S.D.; H. D. Stewart, J.D.; J. Wigmore, I.G.; and J. Wotherspoon, Tyler. The ceremony was performed in a very able manner by Bro. Alexander Anderson, P.M., who was assisted by Bro. Collins, P.M. The lodge was then closed. In the evening an enjoyable ball was held in honour of the installation, a number of visitors having come from a considerable distance. Bro. J. W. Williams, P.M., proved an efficient M.C. The arrangements made by the Committee were in every way a success. The hall was tastefully and appropriately decorated by flags and ferns. The music was effectively rendered by Mrs. Horsley, Miss Stevenson, and Bro. Calkin, the dancing being kept up with unflagging zest until four o'clock the following morning. The refreshment table was replete with luxuries, and it was laid out with exquisite taste, under the superintendence of Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Wigmore, and Mrs. White. Votes of thanks were passed at the conclusion to those who had so materially aided to the success of the evening's amusements.

## LODGE RODNEY, No. 1711 (E.C.)

The installation of P.M. Bro. E. Gray Clements as W.M. of the above lodge took place in the Masonic Hall, Warkworth, and was largely attended by the brethren of this lodge. Bro. Clements held this important office during the past year, and made himself so popular and attended to his duties so assiduously that the members unanimously elected him to a second term. The lodge met early, and the W.M. having worked up to the Third Degree, the lodge was called off for refreshments, and to welcome the Installing Officers, Bros. H. Rees George and Bernard J. Esam, P.M.'s of the Remuera Lodge, Auckland, who duly arrived in the s.s. Rose Casey, accompanied by a numerous party of friends. The lodge being called on, Bro. George, assisted by Bro. Esam, in a most impressive manner duly installed Bro. Clements with the usual formalities, and he then proceeded to invest his officers for the ensuing year as follows: Bros. G. W. Thomson, S.W.; Thomas Cameron, J.W.; H. Munro Wilson, Treas.; T. B. Hawkins, Sec.; J. J. Allen, S.D.; C. P. Thomson, J.D.; W. C. Vipond, I.G.; J. Harrison and M. G. Dill, Stewards; and W. J. Southgate, Tyler, Bro. Southgate having for the second time generously, and in the true spirit of Freemasonry, volunteered to perform this duty. The brethren, to mark their appreciation of his services through their term, presented him with a very handsome Past Masters' jewel, which may he long continue to wear. The labours of the evening being ended, and the lodge closed, a ball, given by the members of this lodge, was opened by the W.M. The weather, unfortunately, being unpropitious, many expected guests failed to put in appearance, and only about 150, comprising the elite of the district, responded to their invitation; but a most enjoyable, and in every way highly successful reunion, was the result, and a long and well selected programme was done full justice to. Messrs. Morris and Reed's band were in attendance, and by their effective rendering of the music gave full satisfaction. Refreshments were supplied at a buffet during the entire evening "ad libitum," and were duly appreciated. At twelve o'clock, the usual custom of each Mason decorating his partner with his apron and collar was carried out, the fair ones seemingly very proud of their unique adornments. Bros. T. B. Hawkins and C. P. Thompson officiated as M.C.'s, and kept the dancing up vigorously until half past four a.m., when one of the most pleasant gatherings ever held in this hall was brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

## LODGE ST. ANDREW, No. 432 (S.C.), NEW ZEALAND.

The annual meeting, for the installation of R.W.M., and investiture of the officers, was held in the Freemasons' Hall, Moray-place, on July 13th. Although there was a consecration of an English lodge at Waikouaiti that day which necessitated the absence of the D.G.L. (E.C.), and a number of prominent brethren, the hall was fuller than it has been at any installation for some time back. There were close upon 130 brethren present, over twenty of these being seated in the E. The hall was decorated with banners and drapery, and the sight when all the brethren were taking part in the installation ceremony was a very imposing one. After the lodge had been opened, the R.W.M., Officers, and brethren of the following lodges were admitted:—Lodge Otago Kilwinning, 417 (S.C.); Lodge Celtic, 477 (S.C.); Lodge Cargill Kilwinning, 632 (S.C.); Lodge St. John's Kilwinning, N.-E. Valley, 662 (S.C.); Lodge of Otago, 844 (E.C.); Lodge Dunedin, 931 (E.C.); Lodge Hiram, Caversham, 2008 (E.C.); and Lodge St. Patrick, 468 (I.C.). The R.W.S.D.G.M., Bro. Louis Court, attended by the Officers of the D.G.L. (S.C.), having entered the lodge, the customary honours were paid to the Representative of the R.W.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. W. Caldwell, P.M., G.S.G.L.S., and first R.W.M. of Lodge St. Andrew, who had kindly consented to act as installing Master, assumed charge of the lodge, and proceeded to instal Bro. David Cherie into the chair of K.S. for the ensuing twelve months. The usual proclamations having been made, and the customary honours paid to the newly-installed R.W.M., the R.W. the Installing Master invested their officers with jewels of office. The W.M. then addressed the newly-installed R.W.M., his officers, and the brethren of the Lodge St. Andrew, and it was remarked that rarely has the R.W. Brother been heard to better advantage. With R.W. Bro. Caldwell as Installing Master; Bro. G. W. Harold, I.P.M., as Director of Ceremonies; and Bro. Jeffrey, P.M., to give a helping hand, it is needless to say that the ceremony was all that

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Yorkshire Times," "Court Circular," "Allen's Indian Mail,"  
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Journal" (New York), "Masonic Review," "Texas  
Masonic Journal," "La Revista Masónica Del Peru," "Sunday  
Times" (New York), "Daily Graphic" (New York), "Jewish  
Chronicle," "Lancaster Daily Examiner," "Humanitas," and  
"New York Dispatch."



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1886.

## Original Correspondence.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for, or even approving of  
the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish in a spirit  
of fair play to all to permit—within certain necessary limits—free  
discussion.]

## MASONIC EXHIBITION AT SHANKLIN.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

Will you kindly allow me, through your columns,  
to convey to London brethren that the London and South-  
Western Railway will issue through tickets to Shanklin,  
available for the day of issue only, from Surbiton and  
Kingston at 7s. 8d., and I have no doubt this applies to  
London as well. This will give seven and half hours in

Shanklin by taking an early train. The Exhibition and  
opening ceremony the public are invited to attend, and it  
is hoped the Masons will bring their friends.—I am, Sir,  
yours fraternally,

ALFRED GREENHAM,  
W.M. Chine Lodge, No. 1884.

Shanklin, August 31st.

## THE BRO. BINCKES PRESENTATION.

To the Editor of the "Freemason."

Dear Sir and Brother,

I fully endorse the statements made by your  
previous correspondents as to "The Bro. Binckes Testi-  
monial," and I trust the Committee will spare no efforts to  
make it worthy alike of the Craft and the brother it is  
designed to honour. I think those who have taken the  
matter in hand are doing the right thing in laying the  
chief stress on Bro. Binckes's services to the Boys' School.  
There is no doubt he has been the heart and soul of its  
administration during the five-and-twenty years of his  
Secretaryship, and before that he had been a member of  
the House Committee, and had taken an active part in the  
arrangements necessary for adapting the house originally  
purchased to the purposes of a school. Subsequently he  
was the prime mover in the erection of the new, that is,  
the present buildings, and we can all call to mind the  
efforts in connection with the Preparatory School. But  
these achievements by no means constitute the whole of  
Bro. Binckes's claims to our respect.

The Mark Degree owes the major part of its success, as  
an organisation, to his untiring zeal and energy, and so  
does the Mark Benevolent Fund, which he had a chief  
hand in establishing, and which, as far as its Festival  
receipts are concerned, now occupies about the same position  
as our chief Institutions occupied before he became Secre-  
tary of the Boys' School. He is also most a capable  
worker in the lodge, and is deeply versed in our mysteries,  
especially of the Mark Degree. All these are feathers in  
Bro. Binckes's cap which must not be overlooked, though,  
in accordance with the opinion I have already expressed as  
to the Testimonial Committee having rightly placed his  
labours, in behalf of the Boys' School, in the forefront  
of their address, they must necessarily hold a subordinate  
position. This, and much else that might be recorded of  
his Masonic career, are the supplement of his 25 years'  
work for "Our Boys," and even in the case of Bro. Binckes  
himself this supplement alone would serve as a very power-  
ful recommendation in favour of the proposed testimonial.

May I presume, in conclusion, to suggest that the Com-  
mittee should look to obtain the services of brethren in the  
provinces working in co-operation with them? It was by  
traversing the provinces and bringing the School—and, of  
course, the other Institutions likewise in a lesser degree—  
under the notice of the lodges and brethren there, that it  
became possible to enlarge the School to its present pro-  
portions. Perhaps a sub-committee for each province might  
be found practicable, or, if that were too much, a promi-  
nent brother in each might take the matter in hand. How-  
ever, this is a matter which may safely be left to the  
discretion of the excellent Committee which have charge of  
the arrangements.—Fraternally yours,

WELL-WISHER.



LE MONDE MACONIQUE. July, 1886. Paris:  
106, Rue Charles Lafitte, Neuilly-sur-Seine.

There is a full complement of articles, while several of  
them possess more than the average degree of importance.  
There is, for instance, one on the Grand College of Rites of  
the Grand Orient of France, whose dissolution was pro-  
nounced at the General Assembly of last year, and contain-  
ing the report in full compiled by a Committee consisting  
of Bros. Balanger, Arnaud, Joyeux, Courourel, et E.  
Brémont. This report is, in fact, a resumé of the history  
of the College. Another article has reference to the approach-  
ing assembly next month of the Grand Orient of France.  
But what will most interest English readers probably is  
the address by the worthy Bro. Block, Venerable of the  
Lodge "La Bienfaisance Châlonnaise," and his Secretary,  
Bro. O. Wirth, in reference to the proposed "Révision des  
Cahiers des Grades Symboliques," in which the restoration  
of the formula "A. L. G. D. G. A. de l'U." is  
recommended. The grounds on which this recommendation  
is advocated may not be precisely all that could have been  
desired; but our readers will be glad to hear that such a  
recommendation has been made, and will doubtless look  
eagerly to the pages of "Le Monde Maconique" which  
contain it.

## MASONIC NEWS, Vol. I., No. 1. Montreal.

Our new contemporary may be congratulated on having  
made a fair beginning. Its articles appear to be written  
with judgment, and its news columns are well filled with  
interesting accounts of current events. Its article headed  
"The Deadlock," in which the difficulty between Quebec  
and England is treated, is a very fair exposition of the  
circumstances in which the two opposing Grand Lodges  
are placed. We do not accept our contemporary's views,  
but nothing can be better than the good taste it displays in  
handling a subject, which is very difficult to pursue without  
treading on somebody's toes. The article concludes,  
"While our brethren of the English Register have thus  
reasons for their action in remaining apart from their bre-  
thren of Quebec, and while their reasons do them honour  
from a sentimental standpoint, the broad principles of  
Freemasonry point their way in unmistakable terms." A  
journal which enters on its career in such a spirit of kindly  
and courteous consideration for its opponents deserves to  
succeed, and we trust the *Masonic News* of Montreal may  
have before it a long and honourable career.

Bro. Alderman Isaacs and Lieut.-Col. Kirby,  
J.P., Sheriffs elect, have issued invitations for their in-  
augural banquet, to be held at the Albion, on Tuesday, the  
28th inst. The band of the Tower Hamlets Engineers  
will play a selection of music at the inaugural breakfast at  
the Albion.



## 672] RED APRON LODGES.

Students of early Freemasonry under the Grand Lodge of England will feel grateful to Bro. Sadler for the information afforded in his account of the "First Grand Stewards and their Lodges." It is singular, but none the less true, that so far as any published reports or lists are concerned, we know but little of the "Red Apron Lodges" prior to the "Union." In Browne's Master Key, 1798, will be found a List of "Red Apron Lodges" (so described). Three Stewards being allotted to No. 4, and one each to Nos. 5, 21, 23, 28, 29, 91, and 108 (present numeration), but No. 6 (with two) is omitted, doubtless in error. I am not aware of any other work of the last century that mentions these lodges in such a connection. These particulars, save as to No. 6, are in agreement with the list quoted by Bro. Sadler, of A.D. 1798. Immediately before the "Union," be it noted, lodges 2, 4, 5, 6, 21, 23, 28, 91, and 99 were holders of the "Red Apron" (present numbers); 4 having three and 6 two Stewards. These nine were included in the 18 lodges selected by H.R.H. the Duke of Sussex, G.M. in 1815, for the distinctive privileges of the "Red Apron," one or more of the remainder having also exercised the trust before then. Bro. Sadler has proved most clearly, to my mind, that the custom of each Steward nominating his successor led eventually to the privilege being apparently confined to certain lodges, as the Grand Stewards naturally preferred members of their own lodges should enjoy the honour. From the year 1815 the custom has been changed to law by the Grand Master. It is curious that the "Atholl" Masons were virtually left out in the cold in this arrangement, and whilst I agree with Bro. Sadler that the social position of the lodges generally may partly explain the circumstance, I think it was mainly due to the fact that the "Grand Stewards" Lodge was a continuation of the "Modern" or Regular Grand Lodge plan, and being thus a "Modern" Lodge, so to speak, those of the same Grand Lodge were selected as "Red Apron Lodges."

W. J. HUGHAN.

## 673] FRENCH FREEMASONRY IN ENGLAND.

I am very pleased to see in the last issue of the *Freemason* the interesting communications from Bro. H. Sadler and Bro. G. W. Speth (Nos. 670-1) in the "Masonic Notes and Queries," not only because of their references to the French certificate in the *Freemason* of August 21st, but also because the "Notes and Queries" department is well deserving of aid from them and other competent brethren. It would be a pity to let such a useful portion of the *Freemason* languish from lack of contributions. Bro. Gould wrote me about Bro. B. Plummer, and kindly sent a list of the offices held by that brother in the Grand Lodge of the "Ancients;" but, as his letter gave no more particulars in that direction, I refrain from inserting it now. The "gold medal" mentioned by Bro. Sadler has not been traced as yet, for assuredly it would bear an inscription, and nothing of the kind has been found anywhere. Probably had it been of less intrinsic value, that mark of approbation, peculiar to the "Ancients," would have not been lost sight of. Bro. Speth has supplied several important particulars respecting the W.M. of the French lodge in question—*De Grasse-Tilly*—and I am glad to inform him and others interested in the subject that the R.W. Bro. W. Kelly has informed me that the furniture used by our French brethren is now in the possession of an existing English lodge. Of this more anon. My impression is that the chivalrous Earl of Moira was favourable to *De Grasse-Tilly* and his brethren meeting as lodges in this country whilst prisoners of war, as we may be sure they never initiated any English residents, their election of joining members, such as Bro. Plummer, hurting no one, and doubtless pleased the brother so complimented, who appears to have had a predilection for holding certificates from various Grand Lodges. I have attached the communications from Bros. Sadler and Speth to the certificate aforesaid, so that visitors to the Isle of Wight on September 9th and following week, may read them in connection with the document described by Bro. Speth as "one of the most interesting exhibits at *Shanklin*," because it contains "the bonâ-fide signature of a most remarkable man and Mason—the Count *De Grasse-Tilly*—founder of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 33°, in Europe."

W. J. HUGHAN.

## 674] FRENCH FREEMASONRY IN ENGLAND.

Is Bro. Speth aware that a lodge of French subjects was warranted by the Grand Lodge of All England at York in 1762? It is recorded in the old minutes as follows:

"No. 1. Anno Secundo, Brother Drake, G.M.

"On the 10th day of June, 1762, a Constitution, or Warrant, was granted unto the following Brethren, French prisoners of war on their Parol (viz.): Du Fresne, Le Pettier, Julian Villfort, Pierre Le Villaine, Louis Brusle, and Francis Le Grand. WHEREBY enabling them and others to open and continue to hold a Lodge at the sign of the Punch Bowl in Stonegate, in the City of York, and to make New Brethren as from time to time occasion might require. PROHIBITING nevertheless them and their successors from making anyone a Brother who shall be a subject of Great Britain or Ireland. WHICH SAID LODGE was accordingly opened and held on the said 10th day of June, and to be continued regularly on the Second Thursday in every month, or oftener, if occasion shall require."

T. B. WHYTEHEAD.

At the quarterly court of the governors of the Brompton Consumption Hospital the other day it was announced that Bro. Major George Lambert (Past Master of the Pattenmakers' Company) had sent a donation of 100 guineas for the purpose of naming a memorial bed to his late son. This idea of honouring the dead by serving the living is a very happy one, and infinitely to be preferred to the more general practice of erecting a costly monument over the tomb, which only benefits the stonemason, and is in too many cases but an eyesore to the visitor.—*City Press*.



## Craft Masonry.

**HIGH CROSS LODGE (No. 754).**—The installation meeting of this lodge was held at the Seven Sisters Hotel, Tottenham, on Wednesday, the 25th ult., under the presidency of Bro. A. G. Fidler, P.M. 1237, P.P.G.S.D. Middx., &c., W.M., who was supported by the officers and a large attendance of members and visitors. Amongst the members were Bros. J. Maller, P.M.; J. Linzell, P.M., P.P.G.D.C. Middx., Sec.; W. Dance, P.M., Treas.; H. Stephens, P.M.; H. V. Clements, P.M., P.P.G.A.S. Middx.; J. Garrod, P.M., P.G. Std. Br. Middx.; E. G. Lewis, P.M.; G. Rowe, P.M.; J. Smith, W. Shepherd, Stephenson, Harrington, Barnes, and others. The visitors were Bros. W. Simpson, 1604; H. Gardiner, 1604; C. J. Knightly, 1744; H. F. Cheeseman, P.M. 1604; A. Bryant, P.M. 1237, P.P.G.J.D. Middx.; J. Painter, P.M. 749 and 1579; H. Haslip, P.M. 813; J. Driscoll, P.M. 30, Sec. 1579, P.P.G.P. Middx.; G. Tegg, W.M. 1579, P.M. 1237, P.G. Std. Br. Middx.; J. London, 2177; S. Parsons, 1237; G. C. Young, P.M. 820; J. H. Thompson, P.M. 1237, P.P.G.S.B. Middx.; J. Green, 933; J. Barber, 933; C. Sharp, and others.

The lodge was opened punctually at four o'clock p.m., and, after the usual preliminaries, the W.M. proceeded to raise Bros. Reeves and Norton to the Sublime Degree of Master Masons, performing that ceremony in his usual excellent style. The next business was to install Bro. J. D. Birkin, S.W., W.M. elect, who was duly obligated, and a Board of Installed Masters was then formed, and Bro. Birkin was placed in the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom. The W.M. was proclaimed and saluted, and he invested his officers as follows: Bros. W. J. Meek, S.W.; E. Holt, J.W.; W. Dance, P.M., Treas.; J. Linzell, P.M., Sec.; E. Lovell, S.D.; D. Hills, J.D.; L. E. Wilson, I.G.; J. P. Clarke, D.C.; M. J. Barnes, W.S.; J. Mills, A.W.S.; and J. V. V. Tyler. After intrusting the W.M. with the warrant of the lodge and other documents appertaining to his office, Bro. Fidler, the Installing Master, completed the ceremony in a masterly and impressive manner, calling forth the applause of the brethren present.

Other minor business having been disposed of, the lodge was closed, and the brethren repaired to the banqueting room, where a sumptuous repast awaited them. On the removal of the cloth the W.M. gave the usual Masonic toasts in a style that showed he was well up to his work, which augured well for the competency of the ruler of the lodge for the coming year.

Bro. A. G. Fidler, the I.P.M., having assumed the gavel, and proposed "The Health of the W.M.," in doing so said he felt sure he would carry out the duties of his high position with the same ability he had done in respect to the subordinate duties of the lodge. He had regularly attended the lodge of instruction, and was so well acquainted with the duties of the Craft in all its details, that he felt the lodge might be congratulated on selecting such an efficient brother for the chair as Bro. Birkin; it consequently gave him the greatest of pleasure in having the opportunity of installing him that evening.

The Worshipful Master, who, on rising, was most cordially received by all present, thanked Bro. Fidler for the kind expressions he had used in proposing his health, and also for the cordial manner in which the brethren had responded. It would be his earnest desire to promote the welfare of the lodge during his year of office; nothing should be wanting on his part to keep up the prestige of the lodge, and to gain the esteem of the brethren. Before he sat down he had a most pleasing duty to perform, which was to propose "The Health of the installing Master," and also to place on his breast the P.M.'s jewel which had been unanimously voted to him by the members of the lodge. No P.M. more deserved the jewel than Bro. Fidler. He had, as they were all aware, discharged the duties of W.M. for the past year in an admirable manner; and the way in which he had rendered the ceremony of installation redounded greatly to his credit. He therefore had great pleasure in presenting to him, in the name of the lodge, the P.M.'s jewel.

Bro. Fidler, in reply, thanked the W.M. and brethren for drinking his health so cordially, and for their kindness in presenting him with that handsome jewel, which he should greatly value as long as he lived. Although he had passed through the chair of a neighbouring lodge, he was naturally anxious to attain to the position of W.M. in his mother lodge, and begged to take that opportunity of thanking the P.M.'s and brethren for the support he had received from them during his year of office, and was glad to find he had given satisfaction to the lodge.

The Worshipful Master then proposed "The Health of the Visitors," expressing the great pleasure it gave him to see so many distinguished visitors and old friends around him from neighbouring lodges.

The toast, which was received very heartily, was responded to by Bros. G. Tegg, W.M. 1579; J. Driscoll, P.M.; A. Bryant, P.M.; Simpson, C. J. Knightly, Green, and others.

"The Health of the P.M.'s" next followed, and was responded to, all expressing the pleasure it gave them in seeing the W.M. having attained to that position, and assured him he would have their support during his year of office.

Other toasts followed, including that of "The Officers," and a most pleasant evening was spent, which was considerably enhanced by some excellent singing; and the Tyler's toast brought the evening's proceedings to a close.

**LIVERPOOL.—Downshire Lodge (No. 594).**

A meeting was held on Thursday, the 26th ult., at the Temple, 22, Hope-street, when there were present Bros. Wm. Blunsum, W.M.; Wm. Robert Roberts, S.W.; E. A. Dow, J.W.; Adolph Pedersen, P.M., Treas.; E. R. Latham, Sec.; Herman Dunkel, S.D.; C. E. Webster, J.D.; Wm. H. Veevers, D.C.; Burton Allenby, I.G.; David Jones, Stwd.; Thomas Malcolm, Tyler; William Evans, P.M.; Bosworth, Riley, Roose, Story, Reece, Rowan, Hendrickson, Williamson, Gent, Gunn, Anderson,

and Kefalas. Visitors: Bros. Keet, P.M. 1356; Saunders, 249; Blacklock, 667; Dr. J. Guinness Beatty, P.M. 728; and Wigham, 1400.

This being a regular monthly meeting of the members of this lodge, and there being two gentlemen for the ceremony of initiation, both of whom were in attendance, they were, after having conformed to the usual preliminary, duly admitted and initiated into Freemasonry according to ancient rite and ceremony. This being the first occasion that the W.M., Bro. William Blunsum, had performed the ceremony of initiation since his installation, he, in his usual kind and courteous manner, gave ample proof of his ability to merit the esteem the brethren have always held him in, as a thoroughly competent Master of the work he was expected to perform.

Bro. Dow explained the working tools, after which the newly-initiated brethren were conducted to the S.W., Bro. Wm. R. Roberts, who delivered the ancient charge founded on the excellence of the Institution. It may be incidentally mentioned that this beautiful part of the ceremony was ably rendered, the brethren paying the utmost attention, and it was evident the candidates were very much impressed with the manner in which Bro. Roberts executed this portion of the work, which marks him out as a most able and promising officer.

The brethren had now a rare treat in store for them. Bro. Wm. Henry Veevers, one of the old and valued P.M.'s which are attached to this lodge, and well known for his able working in the cause of Masonry in this part of the province, having consented, at the request of the W.M., to give the Third Degree, he at once proceeded to work, and throughout the whole ceremony, which in point of excellence has seldom been surpassed, gave another proof of his sincere attachment to the Order. Bro. Blunsum having taken the chair the lodge was duly closed.

The brethren afterwards adjourned to the banqueting room, where Bro. Casey, the house Steward, had prepared an excellent repast, to which ample justice was done. After the toasts of "The Queen," "The Prince of Wales," and "The P.G. Officers, Supreme and Subordinate," had been duly proposed and responded to, and their healths drunk, Bro. Veevers in a neat and appropriate speech proposed "The Health of the W.M.," which was received with enthusiasm.

Bro. Blunsum, in returning thanks for the excellent and kind manner in which his health had been proposed and received, assured the brethren that no effort should be wanting on his part to further the cause of Masonry.

Bros. Veevers and Pedersen responded on behalf of "The Past Masters."

Bros. Roberts and Latham responded on behalf of "The Officers."

The harmony of the evening was greatly enhanced by selections of music and songs ably rendered by Bros. Cowell, Reece, Webster, and Saunders.

Bro. Haydn P. Cowell presided at the piano.

**JARROW.—St. Bede Lodge (No. 1119).**—On Wednesday afternoon, the 25th ult., the annual meeting of the above lodge was held at the Masonic Hall, Grange-road, for the purpose of the installation of Bro. Nigel Kennedy Brown, S.W., W.M. elect. There was a very large gathering of brethren representing the lodges at Hebburn, Newcastle, South Shields, Willington Quay, and Sunderland. The W.M., Bro. J. Armstrong, presided, and was supported by Bros. A. McDougall, P.M., P.G. Std. Br.; J. Sedcole, I.P.M.; H. Golder, P.M. 1119; W. White, P.M. 991; J. T. Dickinson, P.P.G.P.; J. J. Clay, P.G.D.D. of C.; T. Coulson, P.P.G.J.D.; J. C. Moor, P.P.G.J.D.; R. W. Cummins, P.P.G.P.; G. Marston, P.G.P.; W. Ross, I.P.M.; J. Hepple, S.W. 1970; Robert Singleton, S.W. 97; the Rev. P. W. Clarke, 1643; J. J. Athey, P.G.A.D. of C.; W. Gladstone, P.M. 991; W. Atkinson, W.M.; F. West, J.W. 1643; A. E. Cowling, W.M. 240; George Wilson, Org. 240; J. Ponder P.M.; P. W. Thompson, I.P.M. 991; and others.

The W.M. elect was presented for installation by Bro. Jas. Sedcole, I.P.M., and the ceremony of installing Bro. N. K. Brown in the chair of K.S. was ably performed by Bro. John Armstrong, W.M. The newly-installed W.M. afterwards appointed the following as his officers for the ensuing year: Bros. J. Armstrong, I.P.M.; George Davies, S.W.; R. W. Klyne, J.W.; J. W. Chater, Sec.; T. Robinson, Treas.; George Forster, S.D.; Henry Soderberg, J.D.; A. McDougall, P.M.; D. of C.; James Robinson, I.G.; George Kirby, Org.; W. Hornby, S.S.; Jos. Brownlee, J.S.; and James Horner, Tyler.

After other business, the lodge was closed, and the annual festival was held in the evening at Mrs. Talbot's Station Hotel, Grange-road, the W.M., Bro. N. K. Brown, in the chair.

**LIVERPOOL.—Dramatic Lodge (No. 1609).**

The first meeting of the members of this lodge after the summer vacation was held on the 27th ult., at the Masonic Hall, Hope-street, the chair being occupied by Bro. J. M. Boyd, W.M. There was a numerous attendance, and in the course of the meeting Bro. O. W. Sanderson was elected W.M. for the ensuing year. Votes of sincere condolence with the relatives of the late Bro. J. Orr Marples, J.W., and Bro. John Ballard, both of whom were highly-respected members of the lodge, were also adopted, and will be forwarded in due course.

**CROYDON.—George Price Lodge (No. 2096).**

A regular meeting of this lodge took place on Wednesday, the 25th ult., at the Greyhound Hotel, when there were present Bros. H. M. Hobbs, P.G.S.D. Surrey, W.M.; F. T. Ridpath, S.W.; E. Samuel, J.W.; F. Cambridge, P.P.G. Org. Surrey, I.G.; W. G. Oates, D.C.; F. W. Leaver, Org.; and W. Lane, Tyler; also Bros. Geo. Price, P.G. Treas. Surrey; F. J. Blake, P.P.G. Reg. Surrey; D. Guedalla, R. W. Wilson, J. C. Leaver, E. C. Leaver, G. Holden, and E. D. L. Harvey.

The lodge having been opened, and the minutes of the last meeting read and confirmed, the ballot was taken for the Rev. Edward Douglas Lennox Harvey, M.A., and John Wallace Watson, Esq., M.D., which proved unanimous in their favour, and Mr. Harvey being present was duly initiated into Freemasonry, and the charge was subsequently given. Bro. D. Guedalla was raised to the Third Degree.

Bro. W. G. Oates moved in the name of Bro. J. D.



Langton, I.P.M., P.G.J.W. Surrey, who was unavoidably absent, the motion that stood in his name, "That the day of meeting be altered from the fourth Wednesday to the second Saturday."

This was seconded by Bro. Blake, and carried.

Bro. Oates drew attention to the inconvenience the brethren found in being present in August, and gave notice of motion as follows: "That the regular meetings of the lodge take place from March to July, instead of from April to August."

Bro. F. T. Ridpath, S.W., was appointed Steward to represent the lodge at the next Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, and it was resolved that a second share in the Langton Masonic Benevolent Association be taken, the 10 guineas thus obtained being placed on Bro. Ridpath's list.

The name of a gentleman having been given for initiation the lodge was closed, and the brethren adjourned to the banquet table.

## INSTRUCTION.

**FIDELITY LODGE (No. 3).**—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge was held on Wednesday, the 25th ult., at Bro. Silvester's, the Alfred, Roman-road, Barnsbury. Bro. Gregory occupied the chair, supported by Bros. Messer, Surridge, R. Ross, W. H. Ross, Silvester, Treas.; Dimsdale, Sec.; and others.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Gregory rehearsed the ceremony of initiation, Bro. Messer acting as candidate. Bro. Silvester then worked the 4th Section of the First Lecture, and no other Masonic business offering, the lodge was closed. The brethren then adjourned to what has become a very pleasant feature of this lodge—an hour's musical enjoyment among themselves, during which several of them gave good songs and pianoforte pieces. Brethren in the north of London seeking good instruction, with a pleasant hour or two's amusement to follow, cannot do better than join this very old lodge of instruction.

**HYDE PARK LODGE (No. 1425).**—A meeting was held on Monday, the 30th ult., at the Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Porchester-terrace, Paddington, W. Present: Bros. O. W. Battley, W.M.; M. J. Green, S.W.; E. F. Ferris, J.W.; H. Dehane, P.M. 1543; P.P.G.S.D. Essex, Sec.; J. Potter, S.D.; J. H. Wood, I.D.; C. S. Mote, I.G.; S. Bullen, Stwd.; Charles Powell, W.M. 1425; J. Stephens, I.P.M. 1425; C. S. Smout, P.M. 1642; Capt. A. Nicols, P.M. 1974; P.D.G.S. of W. Punjab; Jos. Bailey, and J. Smith. Visitors: Bros. Henry Crookes, 2087; and James Watts, 179.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Crookes being candidate. After the usual preliminaries, the ceremony of raising was rehearsed, Bro. Bailey candidate. Bros. Crookes and Watts were elected members. Bro. Green was elected W.M. for next meeting. After "Hearty good wishes," the lodge was closed.

**METROPOLITAN LODGE (No. 1507).**—A meeting took place on Monday, the 30th ult., at the Moorgate, Finsbury-pavement. Present: Bros. Thom, W.M.; R. W. Fraser, S.W.; G. W. Knight, J.W.; J. H. Sharp, S.D.; C. P. Mackay, J.D.; R. M. Surridge, I.G.; Edwin Storr, Sec.; J. Hemming, acting Preceptor; J. C. Smith, W. Webb, Burgess, W. Waller, Freygang, Worrall, and others.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The W.M. worked the First and Second Lecture. Bro. Burgess having offered himself as candidate for passing, the W.M. asked the usual questions, and he was entrusted. Lodge opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing was rehearsed. Lodge resumed to the First Degree. On rising for the second time, Bro. R. W. Fraser was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting. After "Hearty good wishes," the lodge was closed.

**WANDERERS LODGE (No. 1604).**—A meeting was held on Wednesday, the 1st inst., at the Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-street, S.W. Present: Bros. Gibson, P.M., Treas. and W.M.; Holland, S.W.; C. Pugh, J.W.; Coughlan, acting Preceptor; Musson, Sec.; Smales, S.D.; G. E. Saunders, J.D.; Holmes, I.G.; Weeks, Tyler; C. Taylor, P.M.; Brindley, P.M.; H. White, Jardine, Salter, Jackson, Harris, Mitchell, Grist, and McCullagh.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Jackson being the candidate. Bro. Mitchell answered the questions leading to the Second Degree, and retired; Bro. Harris was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and Bro. Harris duly passed to the Degree of a F.C. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The S.W. was elected W.M. for the ensuing week. Bro. C. Taylor, P.M. 1624, was unanimously elected an honorary member for valuable services rendered to the Craft in general and this lodge in particular. There being no further business, the lodge was closed.

**COVENT GARDEN LODGE (No. 1614).**—The usual weekly meeting of this lodge of instruction was held at the Criterion, (Masonic Temple), Piccadilly, W., on the 26th ult., when there were present Bros. O. W. Battley, W.M.; J. E. Laurence, S.W.; W. Ham, J.W.; Howard Sammons, S.D.; Henry Crookes, J.D.; E. C. Mulvey, I.G.; W. C. Smith, Preceptor; G. Reynolds, Treas. and Sec.; T. E. Weeks, Tyler; Joseph J. Dee, C. Itter, J. Mitchell, F. T. Keeble, A. Wells, J. Laurence, E. Chamberlain, G. Restell, C. Corby, J. L. Henry, Frank Gulliford, H. F. Mitchell, A. Clark, G. F. Swan, James Watts, G. H. Reynolds, and F. Dusterwald.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. W. C. Smith worked the 1st Section of the First Lecture. Bro. E. C. Mulvey worked the 2nd Section of the First Lecture. Bro. G. Restell having offered himself as a candidate for initiation, the W.M. was pleased to rehearse the ceremony. Lodge called off and resumed. Bro. W. C. Smith worked the 4th Section of the First Lecture. Bro. H. F. Mitchell answered the questions leading to the Second Degree. On rising for the first time, Bro. James Laurence, S.W. 1326, was unanimously elected a joining member of this lodge of instruction, being proposed by Bro. F. T. C. Keeble, and seconded by Bro. E. C. Mulvey. On rising for the second time, Bro. W. C. Smith proposed that Bro. J. E. Laurence, S.W., be W.M. for the ensuing week—seconded by the J.W., and carried unanimously. The W.M. elect was pleased to appoint his officers in rotation. On rising for the third time, nothing further offering for the good of Freemasonry, the lodge was closed.

**UBIQUE LODGE (No. 1780).**—A meeting was held on Friday, the 27th ult., at the Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, S.W. Present: Bros. Grist, W.M.; Musson, S.W.; Arnold, J.W.; Brindley, P.M.; Preceptor; Gibson, P.M., Treas.; Coughlan, Sec.; Gibson, S.D.; Purnell, J.D.; and Christian, I.G.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Weston being the candidate. Bro. Purnell, a candidate to be passed to the Second Degree, answered the usual questions, and was entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree. The ceremony of passing was rehearsed, Bro. Purnell being the candidate. The lodge was resumed to the First Degree. The W.M. having risen for the second time, Bro. Musson was unanimously elected W.M. for the ensuing week. All Masonic being ended, the lodge was closed.

**CREATON LODGE (No. 1791).**—A meeting was held on Thursday, the 26th ult., at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-road, Shepherd's Bush, W. Present: Bros. Driehart, W.M.; Child, P.M.; S.W.; Cavers, J.W.; Craggs, S.D.; Spiegel, P.M.; Sims, P.M.; Purdue, P.M.; J. Davies, Preceptor, and Prosser.

The lodge was opened, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The ceremony of initiation was rehearsed, Bro. Sims, P.M., being the candidate. The W.M. announced his intention to work the ceremony of passing. Bro. Prosser offered himself as candidate, and answered the usual questions. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony completed. The lodge was closed to the First Degree, and the 1st Section worked by Bro. Davies, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Prosser was elected a joining member. Bro. Child, P.M., was elected W.M. for the next meeting, and the lodge was closed.

**CHISWICK LODGE (No. 2012).**—A meeting was held at the Windsor Castle Hotel, King-street, Hammersmith, on Saturday, the 28th ult. Present: Bros. W. W. Williams, W.M.; C. Dopson, S.W.; C. B. Corston, J.W.; J. Simms, acting Preceptor; A. Williams, acting Sec.; Craggs, S.D.; H. F. Williams, J.D.; H. F. Pidcock, I.G.; Purdue, 834, P.M.; Sims, 834, P.M.; Gilbert, 22, 1326, P.M.; Steers, De Costa, C. Coombes, Tipper, J. H. Wood, and W. R. Hatton.

The lodge was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Bro. Steers offering himself as candidate, the ceremony of initiation was rehearsed. The W.M. then rendered the charge in this Degree. Bro. Purdue, P.M., worked the 1st Section of this Lecture, assisted by the brethren. Bro. Wood offering himself as candidate for passing, was examined and entrusted. The lodge was opened in the Second Degree, and the ceremony of passing rehearsed. Bro. J. H. Wood candidate. Lodge resumed in the First Degree. The W.M. rose for the first, second, and third times, and Bro. C. Dopson was unanimously elected W.M. for the next meeting. The lodge was then closed.

## Royal Arch.

**BURY.**—Chapter of Unanimity (No. 42).—A regular convocation of this chapter was held on Tuesday, the 24th ult., at the Derby Hotel. Present: Comps. W. Barritt, Z.; Alfred Hopkinson, P.Z., acting H.; the Rev. W. R. Clayton, J.; Jas. H. Sillitoe, P.Z., P.G.H.; John Halliwell, P.Z., P.P.G. Swd. Br.; John W. Kenyon, P.Z., P.P.G. Std. Br., Treas.; W. Balmer, P.Z., S.E.; S. Bailey, P.Z.; R. W. Pickering, S.N.; John Mellor, 1st A.S.; H. Grundy, R. Pollitt, Josh. Handley, George Openshaw, and James Thornton, Janitor. Visitor: Comp. Whitehead, P.S. 124.

The chapter was opened and the minutes of the previous convocation read. Bro. S. F. Butcher, who had previously been elected, was admitted and exalted to the Degree of R.A.M. by Comp. J. H. Sillitoe. Comp. Balmer, in the absence of the P.S., discharged the duties of that office very ably.

After the transaction of the ordinary formal business the chapter was closed, and the companions adjourned to a recherché banquet prepared by Bro. W. Clarke, "mine host of the Derby."

The usual loyal and Masonic toasts were duly honoured. "The Health of Comp. Sillitoe" was proposed by Comp. Halliwell, who referred to the many services rendered to the chapter by their worthy Prov. G.H.

Comp. Sillitoe, in his reply, said that he was glad to find in that, as in every other chapter in the province, the name of their Grand Superintendent, Col. Starkie, was always received so warmly. He regretted the absence of his colleague, Comp. W. O. Walker, P.G.J., who, like himself, was a member of that chapter; but no doubt both these worthy companions were enjoying themselves upon the moors. He was always glad to attend the meetings of the chapter and to render any services within his power. When he found annexed to his summons an intimation that the M.E.Z. was not in his usual good health he resolved to be present that night to assist him if necessary.

Comp. Balmer proposed "The Health of the Principals of the Chapter," and referred to the unavoidable absence of the H., being caused through illness in his family.

The M.E.Z. and J. responded.

"The Health of the Visitors" was proposed, and Comp. Whitehead, principal tenor of Durham Cathedral, replied, and in doing so referred to the pleasure he had in finding that his old friend Comp. Bailey retained his fine voice in such remarkable force. When he (Comp. Whitehead) first entered the profession, more than 20 years since, Comp. Bailey was a singer of high repute in many of the Yorkshire towns. He, as a musician, also congratulated the chapter upon having such excellent musical talent among their members.

The toasts of "The Officers" and "P.Z.'s" were also suitably proposed and responded to.

The pleasure of the evening was enhanced by the magnificent rendering, by Comp. Whitehead, of "The bloom is on the rye," "The maid of Athens," and "The death of Nelson;" also some capital songs by Comps. Bailey, Clayton, and Pollitt, with Comp. Openshaw as accompanist.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—Landport Chapter (No. 1776).—On Thursday the 26th ult., in the presence of Comps. W. B. Beach, M.P., Grand Superintendent of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight; J. E. Le Feuvre, Deputy Grand Superintendent, and the majority of the Provincial Grand Officers, Comp. James Graham Niven was installed as Z. After the installation the following officers for the ensuing year were duly invested: Comps. W. Miles, H.; J. M. Foster, J.; G. Barnden, S.E.; J. Godding, S.N.; G. Aylward, P.S.; W. White, jun., 1st A.S.; J. Biden, 2nd A.S.; A. H. Hancox, Treas.; E. Naylor, D. of C.; T. H. Williams, I.P.Z.; G. Chamberlain, and W. P. Winter, Stewards; and J. Exell, Janitor.

At a recherché banquet which followed the newly-installed First Principled, and was supported by Comp. W. B. Beach, and the rest of the Provincial Grand Officers, the companions altogether numbering about 40. The customary toast list was gone through.

In proposing "The Grand Superintendent of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight," Comp. Niven alluded, in highly eulogistic terms, to the energy and ability invariably displayed by Comp. Beach in conducting the affairs of the province. He remarked that when the formation of the Landport Lodge was first sanctioned, Freemasonry in Portsmouth was, so to speak, in a stagnant position, and the new lodge was looked upon very much in the light of an experiment. The result had been in every way satisfactory and encouraging, and had

in fact, led to a thorough revival. The constitution of other lodges followed, and as a proof of the interest which had been aroused he might mention that the last lodge formed—the St. Clair—already numbered between 90 and 100 members. As far as Royal Arch Masonry was concerned there was no reason in the world why it should not flourish and prosper in a proportionate degree. The Landport Chapter was not so large as it might be, but strenuous efforts would be made to infuse new life into it and render its success commensurate with the success of the Landport Lodge.

Comp. Beach, in responding, dwelt upon the importance of Royal Arch Masonry as an adjunct to ordinary Masonry, and urged the companions of the Landport Chapter to do their best to secure its permanence and prosperity. Without for a moment reflecting upon the wisdom of those who took steps for the formation of that particular chapter he ventured to advise the members of Masonic lodges generally to well weigh circumstances and prospects before establishing fresh chapters, being strongly of opinion that it would be infinitely better for members who wished to take the Royal Arch Degree to do so in existing chapters rather than seek to establish new chapters in connection with their own lodges without good reason to believe that they would be permanently successful.

Bro. Le Feuvre, in proposing "The Principals of the Landport Chapter," fully endorsed the opinion expressed by the Grand Superintendent of the province, and remarked that there was excellent material in the Landport Lodge for the companions of the chapter to work upon, and there was no reason why the latter should not prove as flourishing as the lodge.

Bro. Niven, in acknowledging the toast, assured the provincial officers that from that day strenuous efforts would be made to increase the welfare and prosperity of the chapter.

Other toasts followed, and the proceedings of a most enjoyable gathering terminated shortly before 8 o'clock.

## INSTRUCTION.

**HORNSEY CHAPTER OF IMPROVEMENT (No. 890).**—A convocation was held at the Porchester Hotel, Leinster-place, Cleveland-square, Paddington, W., on Friday, the 27th ult. Present: Comps. G. Gregory, P.Z., Z. elect 1538, J. 804, P.S. 2048, M.E.Z.; W. H. Dean, P.Z. 77, P.P.G.R. Dorset, H.; T. C. Edmonds, 890, 1507, 2048, J.; H. Dehane, J. 890, 862, S.E.; Capt. A. Nicols, P.Z., Z. 890, S.N.; and J. Crutenden, 779, P.S.

The chapter was opened in due form, and the minutes of the last convocation were read and confirmed. The ceremony of exaltation was rehearsed, Comp. Nicols being candidate. The M.E.Z. rose for the first, second, third, and fourth times, and after "Hearty good wishes," the chapter was closed.

## Mark Masonry.

**FOREST OF DEAN.**—Royal Forest of Dean Lodge (No. 340).—A meeting was held on Wednesday, the 25th ult., at the Speech House, when there were present Bros. W. C. Heane, I.P.M., acting W.M.; J. Shaw Carleton, S.W.; Harry Clark, J.W.; M. F. Carter, M.O.; Geo. Norman, acting S.O.; S. J. Thomas, J.O.; S. W. Haddingham, Treas.; F. Asgill Carter, Sec.; J. J. James, J.D.; Wm. Spence, acting I.G.; Job Webb, Tyler; and J. E. James.

The lodge was opened in due form, and a ballot was taken for a W.M. for the ensuing year, when Bro. J. S. Carleton, S.W., was duly elected. A ballot was then taken for a Treasurer, and Bro. S. W. Haddingham was re-elected. Bro. Job Webb was re-elected Tyler. A candidate having been proposed, the lodge was closed. The brethren then adjourned to the banqueting room, and spent the evening in harmony and brotherly love.

## Ancient and Accepted Rite.

**DEVONPORT.**—St Aubyn Chapter (No. 20).—The annual meeting of this chapter was held on Wednesday, the 25th ult., at the Masonic Rooms, Granby-street. The M.W.S., Bro. John Baxter, presided, and installed his successor, Bro. Lieut. E. L. Wilson, R.A. The following were the officers invested:—Bros. John Baxter, P.M.W.S., I.P. M.W.S.; F. T. W. Curtis, Prelate; W. Trevena, 1st G.; Dr. F. A. Dawson, 2nd G.; R. H. Rae, Treas.; T. Goodall, Recorder; E. Woodland, R.; C. Watson, G.M.; John Flanagan, C. of G.; E. Aitken-Davies, Herald; J. Austin, D.C.; and S. Harvey, Equerry.

## Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

### BIRTHS.

**CHAVASSE.**—On the 29th ult., at 36, New Inn Hall-street, Oxford, the wife of the Rev. F. J. Chavasse, of twin daughters.

**TOMLINSON.**—On the 29th ult., at Abbots Heyes, Chester, the wife of Surgeon-Major W. Winslow Tomlinson, Medical Staff, of a daughter.

**VALLINGS.**—On the 28th ult., the wife of the Rev. J. F. Vallings, Hythe, Kent, of a daughter.

### MARRIAGES.

**BIRD—CLARK.**—On the 31st ult., at St. Peter's, Cranley-gardens, South Kensington, by the Rev. J. F. Downes, M.A., Arthur Hinckes, son of P. Hinckes Bird, F.R.C.S., to Kate, daughter of the late John Clark.

**COBBOLD—FOSTER.**—On the 26th ult., at Saint Peter's Mancroft Church, Norwich, Lucas Temple, second son of the late Alfred Cobbold, Esq., of Bramford, near Ipswich, to Lucy Maude, eldest daughter of Francis G. Foster, Esq., of Saint Giles-rd., Norwich.

### DEATHS.

**JARWOOD.**—At the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, Battersea, on the 29th ult., Miss Jarwood, matron of the Institution, aged 76.

**GATEHOUSE.**—On the 22nd ult., at Deal, William Aclfield Gatehouse, aged 35, third surviving son of Thomas Gatehouse, Broadbridge, Bosham, Chichester, son-in-law of Bro. James Stevens, Clapham, S.W.

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could be desired, and the most extreme ritualist would have found it difficult to discover any flaw in the working. After the lodge was lowered, Bro. D. Cherrie, R.W.M., thanked Bro. Caldwell, P.M., for his services, and referred to the fact that they were both present at the consecration of Lodge St. Andrew 22 years ago. He also thanked Bro. Court, R.W.S.D.G.M., the D.G.L. officers, and other visitors for their attendance, and the Masonic choir for their services. The effectiveness of the whole of the ceremonies was greatly added to by the singing of the various odes and anthems by the members of the Masonic choir, Bro. A. J. Barth as conductor and Organist, and Bro. G. H. Schnacht as violinist. Before the lodge was closed, R.W. Bro. Caldwell, on behalf of the officers and members of Lodge St. Andrew, presented Bro. G. W. Harrold, I.P.M., with a very handsome P.M.'s jewel. After the lodge had been closed, the members and visitors adjourned to the Lyceum Hall, where the annual reunion was held. Some 60 couples took part in the dancing, the music being supplied by Mr. Parker's string band, Bros. P.M.'s Hutchison and Harrold making efficient M.C.'s. The company separated early the next morning, exceedingly well pleased with the entertainment that had been provided for them.

#### MASONIC TRIENNIAL FESTIVAL.

Washington is to have a Triennial Masonic Festival next month as well as St. Louis. The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States will be held the last week in September. Extensive preparations are being made to make the visit one to be remembered with pleasure in years to come. The convocation, which is the highest in the Fraternity, is held every three years, and, although there have been twenty-five, this will be the first held in Washington. The convocation will commence on Tuesday, the 25th instant, and will last until the following Saturday. It will be composed of the Past Grand High Priests of all State and District Grand Chapters in the country, together with the present active officers, viz.: the Grand High Priest, the Deputy Grand High Priest, the Grand King, and the Grand Scribe of each several Grand Chapter. There are between thirty and forty Grand Chapters in the United States, and arrangements are being made to provide for about 200 officers, with their ladies. The headquarters will be at the Riggs house. There still remains a large amount of work to be done upon the details of the entertainment of the visitors; but the programme will be very much as follows: On the 18th, the first day of the convocation, the chapter Masons and Templars of the District of Columbia will assemble at Masonic Temple at an hour to be fixed in the morning. There will be a parade, headed by the Marine band, and after that a public session at the Masonic Temple, preceding the regular convention. A trip to Mount Vernon and a banquet are also on the programme. At the banquet each guest will get a souvenir in the shape of a badge about four and a half inches long by three wide. This will be furnished with a pin, but it is not to be worn, the pin acting as a support to the souvenir when set upon the table, like a small easel. The badge will be made of metal, heavily gold-plated, and will be die stamped. The whole will be mounted on scarlet plush, the colour of the district chapter, the scarlet showing prettily between the interstices of the design. At the upper portion of the badge will be the words appearing in scarlet through the gold: "Souvenir of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia, to the General Grand Chapter of the United States." Beneath will be a full view of the capital and a representation of the Washington monument. The other inscription will appear below, on each side of a large Masonic triangle inscribed with the words: "Twenty-sixth Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of the United States." The whole thing forms a very handsome souvenir.



#### DRURY LANE—A RUN OF LUCK.

To the ordinary play-goers it must have appeared for some time past that almost every art of the playwright and stage-manager had been exhausted. Every form of crime and every phase of virtue had been pressed into service until we can almost imagine the modern writer settling down in blank despair at being incapable of inventing fresh villainies or rewarding new virtues. The National Theatre alone has presented during its long career enough and to spare in this direction, and the danger of the management of Drury Lane repeating even its own plots and characters is sufficiently obvious to deter many from the attempt. The joint authors of "A Run of Luck," however, have succeeded in placing on the stage a play that will certainly bring a run of luck to the exchequer of Drury Lane, and we congratulate Bro. Harris on the answer he obtained from the vast audience in Drury Lane on Saturday last to his laconic enquiry "Is it right?"

The notices in the daily press have been favourable to an extent we have rarely seen, and we are indebted to the Dramatic Critic of the *World* for the following notice, which we have much pleasure in transferring to our columns:—

Having exhausted the fruitful fields of war both by land and sea, the lunacy and divorce laws, capital punishment, dynamite explosions, banking collapses, and railway collisions, the enterprising lessee of Drury Lane, in accordance with the late lamented Mr. Ducrow's advice, has at last "come to the horses." Mr. Pettitt and Mr. Harris have succeeded in producing an entertaining and successful drama which finds its "raison d'être" in neither crime nor catastrophe, and which is in many ways a noteworthy achievement in the history of modern play-making. In "A Run of Luck" there is neither battle, murder nor sudden death; but if the plaudits from every part of the house which greeted the fall of the curtain at the National Theatre on Saturday night may be taken as a fair test of the popular verdict, the public are in no way disposed to quarrel with the innovation. In the new play, instead of an unbroken succession of sensational surprises and startling situations,

we have real comedy, witty dialogue, and abundant dramatic incident deftly set in a series of lively and picturesque scenes of English life, English frivolity, and English sport. Racing dramas unquestionably present more than ordinary difficulties both to the playwright and the stage manager. The immutable laws of the Turf have almost invariably proved a serious stumbling-block to success, and criticisms on many former attempts to deal dramatically with our national pastime have often consisted of little else than a catalogue of offended regulations and neglected customs. In this case, however, the co-authors have contrived to steer clear alike of the quicksands of improbability and the shoals of impossibility, and it must be confessed that Mr. Selby's Daisy won the Stewards' Cup at Mr. Harris's Goodwood in spite of the tragic villany of Mr. Trevor-Cartwright and the comic rascality of Mr. Sandown-Nicholls, without in any way shocking the susceptibilities of such distinguished sportsmen as Lord Rosebery and Sir George Chetwynd, who happened to be amongst the spectators. From the jockeys' boots to the horse-clothing, from the telegraph-board to the owners' colours, and from the weighing-scales to the winning-post, everything was, in racing parlance, "all right." Mr. Tattersall's familiar friends may well have imagined that that they saw him in the "rostrum;" Judge Clark would probably be surprised to find himself face to face with his counterpart at the official desk; and there was a charmingly dressed lady, who reminded one strangely of Caroline, Duchess of Montrose, on the Drury Lane "lawn." It is needless to unravel in detail the story of the two Daisies. As a matter of course, they both represent the cause of virtue and injured innocence, and it is quite unnecessary to say that they both eventually triumphed over the machinations of their enemies. The cast was an exceptionally strong one. Mr. Grahame was a handsome, interesting, and manly hero; Mr. E. W. Gardiner filled the rôle of the spendthrift son in a natural and intelligent manner; Mr. William Rignold, as their robust father, looked, dressed, spoke, smoked, and swore like "a fine old English gentleman," but found it even more difficult to mount his horse than Mr. Henry Neville did twelve months ago in "Human Nature;" Mr. Charles Cartwright's clever, cold, and cynical heartlessness contrasted picturesquely with Mr. Harry Nicholl's singularly artistic and humorous impersonation of the rakish adventurer, Charlie Sandown; Mr. Arthur Yates, as the Duke, showed himself to be a careful student of character; and Mr. Victor Stevens seemed to have passed his life as a stable lad; Miss Alma Murray, as the charming and sympathetic heroine, played with power, grace, and tenderness from first to last; Miss Sophie Eyre (whom we welcome back from America) acted with realistic strength and energy the part of the betrayed and repentant Lucy Byfield; Miss Edith Bruce, as the captivating farm help, showed herself to be entitled to a high place on the roll of chambermaids; Miss Compton gave abundant proof of hereditary talent; and Miss M. A. Victor was as amusing and clever as of old. The "mise en scène" was a surprise even to Mr. Augustus Harris's most constant habitués; the sets worked throughout with astonishing smoothness, and each successive picture seemed to surpass its predecessor. The effect of the red coats, the horses, and the hounds in the verdant glades of Selby Hall will perhaps induce his critics to pardon the unusually forward state of his May landscape. Mr. Henry Emden has never had a better opportunity of displaying his skill as a scenic artist, and he has certainly availed himself of it. Selby Hall, the ball in London, Copsley Farm, and the various racing scenes deserve unqualified praise, and when at last the nine thoroughbreds dashed across the stage at full speed, in sight of the audience, the whole house seemed infected with the genuine enthusiasm of the racecourse. "A Run of Luck" will make all future efforts in the same direction difficult, for the public will, after this, expect something better than profile working horses and dummy jockeys. The last production at Drury Lane marks a new departure in sensational and spectacular dramas, and the thousands who will go to see it before it gives way, four months hence, to the Christmas pantomime, will not appreciate it the less because blood-chilling horrors find no place in a form of entertainment which embraces at once the best and most attractive features of modern melodrama and farcical comedy.

#### GOOD AND PERFECT WORK.

The allegory of Freemasonry is founded in circumstance which occurred at the building of King Solomon's Temple upon Mount Moriah, and in the Capitular Degrees it is extended to the downfall of Jerusalem—the destruction of the first Temple—the captivity—the return, and the preparations for building a second temple on the site occupied by the first.

We are informed that the Temple of Solomon was commenced in the second month of the sacred year, a.m. 2992, and was completed in about seven years and six months; while the Ephesian Temple of Diana, in every respect its inferior, occupied the period of over two hundred years in building. By the great wisdom of King Solomon and the wonderful skill of the chief architect, the vast multitude of workmen employed were so classified and governed, the whole minutiae of the work so systematically arranged, and the execution of the designs so judiciously superintended, that the building progressed to its completion in the most perfect order and harmony. The timbers were prepared in the forests of Lebanon, and the stones were squared marked, and numbered in the quarries of Zerodatha; and so perfect was the workmanship in all its several parts, that the use of metal tools was not required in raising the polished walls of the building. All the materials fitted together with such exact nicety that, when the edifice was completed, its beautiful symmetry was regarded by spectators as most wonderful, if not miraculous.

"All was of the choicest Masonry." Nothing but good and perfect work was allowed to have a place in his walls. Every block was carefully examined, and tried by the overseer's square; if not found to be of just proportions and good workmanship, it was rejected and cast among the rubbish; if it stood the test, the faithful Craftsman received his reward in due time.

Companions, we may here see a type a deep significance and moral grandeur; a type of that spiritual temple which is being erected by the great Master Builder of the Universe, the immortal blocks of which are being prepared in the quarries of earth. As moral Craftsmen, we are placed

here to work out our eternal destiny and earn for ourselves the title of most Excellent Masters. The great designs have been drawn for us by the Master's hand, and the specimens of work which we present will be tried by the Great Overseer with the square of His eternal truth. If our work is approved, it is written, "Ye shall have your reward." A time will come when the craftsmen of this world will strike in eternity, and the world of life will cease, then if, as faithful craftsmen, we have performed well the work given us to do, we may go forth from the quarries of earth, prepared to receive the "wages of eternal life." Our work, it is true, may be rejected of men and cast among the rubbish of prejudice and ignorance, yet, if it is in accordance with the designs of the great Master Builder, its merits will ultimately triumph. But if we prove unfaithful workmen; if we neglect the designs of the Great Architect, and waste our working days in idleness, until our hands are stained with the rust of the implements that have been given us, in vain we may frame excuses and think to receive wages that are not our due; there is a record kept in eternity, and by that record we shall be judged.—*Detroit Freeman*.

The marriage of Bro. Lord Algernon Gordon Lennox, of the Grenadier Guards, with Miss Maynard, younger daughter of the late Col. the Hon. Charles Maynard and the Countess of Rosslyn, and sister-in-law of Bro. Lord Brooke, took place in the parish church of Little Easton, near Dunmow, on Tuesday. Owing to the recent death of Lord Henry Gordon Lennox, brother of the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, the Duke, and Bro. the Earl of March, were unable to be present. The bride was given away by Bro. the Earl of Rosslyn, Past G.M. of Scotland, and the wedding breakfast was given by Bro. Lord and Lady Brooke. The presents were very numerous, and included a set of four candlesticks from the Prince and Princess of Wales.

A singular incident at a Masonic meeting is reported to have taken place the other night. The Somerset Freemasons held a Grand Lodge at Taunton, when the P.G.M., the Earl of Carnarvon, was present. Among the P.G. Officers who came forward to be invested was a brother bearing the significant name of Bro. O'Connor Parnell. The mention of the name elicited an amused titter in the otherwise decorous assembly, for no one had anticipated an "interview" between Parnell and Carnarvon in the Masonic Hall at Taunton. However, the noble Earl proved himself equal to the occasion; and with a bland smile he boldly said: "Bro. Parnell, I have great pleasure in investing you with this, the collar of your Prov. Grand Lodge Office. I am sure Masonry has no more loyal and faithful brother than you." It is necessary to add that the Taunton Bro. Parnell is a staunch Tory.—*York Herald*.

The Prime Minister of New South Wales on the 27th ult. laid proposals before the Parliament of that colony for celebrating the centenary of New South Wales in January, 1888. The 23rd January, 1888, will be the 100th anniversary of the landing of Governor Phillip in the colony, and the 7th February that of the proclamation of the Government. The interval between the two dates will be devoted to the celebration, the fortnight's carnival being occupied with festivities of every description, as well as religious, naval and military, and civil ceremonies. The Governor, Bro. Lord Carrington, P.G.S.W. of England, intends inviting the Prince of Wales and other members of the Royal Family to be present, as well as the Governors of the other Australasian colonies, and of various colonies and dependencies of Great Britain in other parts of the world. In fact, no efforts will be spared in order to make the occasion one of the greatest splendour possible.

#### WILLING'S SELECTED THEATRICAL PROGRAMME.

**DRURY LANE THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 7.45, A RUN OF LUCK.

**COVENT GARDEN THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 7.30, Promenade Concert.

**ADELPHI THEATRE.**  
Every Evening, at 8, THE HARBOUR LIGHTS; at 7.15, Farce.

**GLOBE THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8, THE SINS OF THE FATHERS; at 9, THE PICKPOCKET.

**SAVOY THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8.35, THE MIKADO; or, THE TOWN OF TITIPU; at 7.45, THE CARP. Matinee every Saturday at 2.30.

**VAUDEVILLE THEATRE.**  
Every Evening, at 8, THE ROAD TO RUIN.

**GAIETY THEATRE.**  
Closed. Re-open shortly with Comic Opera, DOROTHY.

**PRINCES THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8.15, THE JILT.

**COURT THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8.45, THE SCHOOLMISTRESS; at 8, BREAKING THE ICE. Matinee Saturday next at 2.30.

**OPERA COMIQUE THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8, BACHELORS; at 9.0, DR. DAVY.

**COMEDY THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8, BLACKBERRIES; at 9, TURNED UP.

**OLYMPIC THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 8, MACKETH.

**STANDARD THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 7.30, Mr. J. W. Turner's English Opera Company.

**GRAND THEATRE.**  
Every Evening, at 7.30, JANE SHORE.

**SURREY THEATRE.**  
Every Evening at 7.30, HOODMAN BLIND.

**ROYAL AQUARIUM.**  
Open, 12.0; close, 11.30. Constant Round of Amusement.

**COLONIAL AND INDIAN EXHIBITION.**  
Open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Admission one shilling; Wednesday half-a-crown.

**ALBERT PALACE.**  
Open from 12 noon to 10 p.m. Amusements all day.

**CANTERBURY THEATRE OF VARIETIES.**  
Every Evening at 7.30, Grand Variety Company, &c., &c.



The General Committee of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys will hold their usual monthly meeting to-morrow (Saturday), at Freemasons' Hall, at 4 p.m.

The scholars at Christ's Hospital will re-assemble after the summer vacation on Monday, the 10th inst.

Bro. W. Kuhe, P.G. Organist of England, has been appointed a professor of the pianoforte at the Royal Academy of Music.

Bro. Lord Stanley, who has just been raised to the peerage by the title of Baron Stanley, of Preston, was to take his seat in the House of Peers on Thursday evening.

According to the *Texas Freemason*, there were 187 lodges in America in 1783; in 1884, there were nearly 10,000 lodges, with an aggregate membership of upwards of 550,000 brethren.

The monthly meeting of the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution will take place at Freemasons' Hall, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday next, the 8th instant.

Bros. the Right Hon. G. C. Bentinck, Sir A. Borthwick, Sir J. McGarel Hogg, Bart., the Earl of March, H. Eaton, and Sir B. Samuelson are among the members of the House of Commons who have paired for the Session.

Bro. the Earl and Countess of Rosslyn, accompanied by Miss Maynard, Lord Loughborough, and the Ladies St. Clair Erskine, left town for Easton Lodge, Dunmow, on Saturday last, on a visit to Bro. Lord and Lady Brooke.

It is understood that H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, Prov. Grand Master of Sussex, will leave Balmoral for Buckingham Palace to-morrow (Saturday), and will leave London for India, to take over his new command on Tuesday next.

The new piece produced at Drury Lane Theatre on Saturday evening last, and entitled "A Run of Luck," was very enthusiastically received, the authors, Bros. A. Harris and H. Pettitt, being called before the curtain at the close of the performance and most heartily acclaimed.

We learn from one of our exchanges that the Grand Lodge of California recently voted the sum of 1200 dollars to be appropriated to the use of one of its Past Grand Masters, who, in his old age, has been overtaken by misfortune, and paid him in monthly installments of 100 dollars each.

The Ancient Order of Foresters held their annual gathering at the Crystal Palace on Monday. Though the Society is more numerous and flourishing than at any previous period, the muster was considerably below the average, there being an attendance on this occasion of only about 25,000 at the outside. However, there was an admirable programme for the day, and everything passed off most satisfactorily, notwithstanding the intense heat.

At a meeting of the Board of Delegates of the Hospital Saturday Fund, held at the central office, Mitre-court, Temple, on Saturday night, the Secretary reported that there was now standing to the credit of the fund at the bank £3000, proceeds of the last street collection, after payment of £700 expenses. About £300 remained in the hands of local committees, and a considerable amount in bronze coin was at the central office. Altogether about £4800 would accrue to the fund from last Hospital Saturday—£500 less than in the preceding year. This was attributed to unfavourable weather.

Mr. John Furley, Deputy Chairman and Hon. Director of Stores of the St. John Ambulance Association, has received from the German Samariterverein a diploma, illuminated on vellum, appointing him an honorary member of the latter Society, "in acknowledgment of his services in the universal extension of the knowledge of first aid to the injured, more especially in recognition of the encouragement and assistance given by him towards the establishment of the German Sanitarian Society." The diploma bears the signatures of his Imperial Royal Highness Prince Henry of Prussia, Privy Councillor; Professor Esmarch, and Consul von Bremen.

The annual excursion in connection with the lodges of Kilsyth, took place on Saturday, 21st ult. The members of the Craft met in their lodge room in the afternoon, and, accompanied by a band, they marched through the town, thence to a field kindly granted for their use by Mr. Cullen, of Barr. A number of their wives and sweethearts visited the field in the course of the afternoon, and dancing was engaged in until seven o'clock, when a return was made to the town. Before leaving the field the members walked to Mr. Cullen's house and thanked him for the use of his field, and for other kindness they had received from him.

The lighting of the reading-room of the British Museum by electricity for the autumn and winter season commenced this week, when the closing hour for readers was extended till 8 p.m. Mr. Barrett, the electrical engineer of the establishment, has been able to make considerable improvement on the lighting of previous years. It has been found that, from the great height of the dome and the large circumference of the room, four lights are not sufficient, and it has been considered necessary to add a fifth. Additional lights have also been placed in several of the galleries, and in the new or "White" newspaper reading-room, and the number of incandescent lamps throughout the building has been largely increased. It does not appear to be generally known to readers that the first gallery in the reading-room now contains an excellent selection of the books most in demand, which will be available till 7.30 p.m. An excellent catalogue of this new department has been prepared by Mr. G. W. Porter, senior assistant-keeper of the Department of Printed Books, and printed by order of the trustees. It is a volume of upwards of 600 pages, and as every book mentioned in it is "press marked," its usefulness to readers will be apparent.

Prince Albert Victor of Wales presided at a meeting held at the Church of England Soldiers' Institute on Monday evening in aid of the funds of the Gordon Boys' Home.

The annual Provincial Grand Lodge of Durham will be held at Jarrow, on Tuesday, October 26th, under the presidency of R.W. Bro. Sir Hedworth Williamson, Bart., P.G.M.

Her Majesty the Queen has expressed her readiness to open the Metropolitan Free Hospital, Kingsland-road, but the date to be appointed for the ceremony has not yet been fixed.

Telegraphic addresses (Inland) for the Freemason Printing and Publishing Works—"Freemason, London." For Jewels, Clothing, Furniture, Banners, &c., &c.—"Kenning, London."

Bros. Lord Randolph Churchill, M.P., and Sir M. E. Hicks-Beach, Bart., M.P., left town on Saturday last for a brief sojourn in the country, but returned in time to be in their places in the House of Commons on Monday afternoon.

The Duchess of Albany dined with the Queen at Balmoral on Friday, the 27th ult., Bro. Sir Robert Collins, K.C.B., having the honour to be invited. The Duke of Connaught went out deer-stalking both on Saturday last and the day previous.

The Guardians of the Poor of the Holborn Union require the services of a person to fill the office of night nurse at their workhouse, Shepherdess-walk, City-road. Three nurses are also required at the Baker's-row Infirmary, Whitechapel.

Bro. Major-General Sir R. Buller left London for Dublin by the Irish Mail on the 26th ult., arriving in Kingstown the following morning. Later in the day he had interviews with the heads of the Royal Irish Constabulary and the Commander of the forces. On Monday he started from Dublin for Tralee.

The Princess of Wales and her daughters the Princesses Louise, Victoria, and Maud, are expected to arrive in Copenhagen on a visit to the King and Queen of Denmark on Sunday next, the Royal yacht Dannebrog being under orders to proceed to Lubeck to convey the Royal visitors to their destination.

Thursday, the 26th ult., being the anniversary of the late Prince Consort's birthday, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, the gentlemen in attendance on the Queen, and the servants and tenants on the Estates of Balmoral, &c., assembled at the Obelisk at noon on that day and drank to the memory of the deceased Prince.

At the regular meeting of the Londonderry Lodge, No. 2039, held at the Y.M.C.A., John-street, Sunderland, on Friday, 27th ult., Bro. J. C. Moor, W.M., presiding, Bro. John Deans, S.W., was elected the W.M. for the ensuing year; Bro. J. R. Pattison, W.M. 97, was elected Treasurer; and Bro. J. W. Brown, Tyler.

WHAT IS MASONY?—Masony has no secrets that can injure the world. All its secrets, as an Order, tend to promote the universal good. It is said that an Emperor once built a palace of glass, and placed it on rising ground so that his subjects might see him in his private life. Masony does not require this outward display. It takes the simplest of the heart's expressions of secret faith; this is the secret of Masonic strength. The Masonic structure can never die, based as it is on Faith, Hope, and Charity.—*New Zealand Mail*.

A return, prepared at the instance of Mr. Whitley, is issued as a Parliamentary paper, showing the number of accounts of depositors in Post Office savings banks in the United Kingdom remaining open on December 31st, 1885, together with the amount (inclusive of interest) standing to the credit of those accounts. In England the number of accounts open was 3,142,596, and the amount £42,741,028; in Wales, 121,838 accounts, and the amount £1,438,530; in Scotland, 127,172 accounts, with £969,790; in Ireland, 135,777 accounts, with £2,438,171; and in islands in the British seas, 8267 accounts, with £110,315.

Amongst other deifiers of the palate whose extraordinary doings give them a right to be placed amongst wonders stands one named Rogerson, whom Meg Dodd, in her amusing book on cookery, calls "a martyr." He was a native of Gloucestershire; received his education at one of the universities, made "the Grand Tour" after the fashion of his day, and concentrated the whole of his attention upon gastronomical art. His father's death placed a large fortune in his possession, and he devoted it to the palate; keeping no one in his house who was not an accomplished cook: butler, footman, house-keeper, coachmen, grooms, all were cooks; while for cooks proper, he had three whom he brought from Italy—each a famous one—one who came from Florence, another from Sienna, and a third from Viterbo, whose duty was confined to the preparing of one special dish, the *dolce piccante* of Florence. He had a messenger constantly on the road between Brittany and London to bring him the eggs of a particular kind of plover found near St. Malo. It is recorded that one dinner which was prepared exclusively for himself, and consisted of but two dishes, cost fifty-eight pounds. In nine years he dissipated his fortune of £150,000, and was found starving by one of his friends, who gave him a guinea; and going soon after to the wretched garret in which the ruined epicure had found refuge, discovered him roasting an ortolan! a few days afterwards he shot himself.—*From "The World of Wonders"* for September.

Tobaccoists Commencing.—An Illustrated Guide of 110 pages "How to open respectably from £20 to £2000," three stamps. H. Myers & Co., 109, Euston-rd., London. Telephone No. 7541. —[ADVT.]

MORTGAGES.—Messrs. JAMES are in a position to Supply Money to ANY EXTENT on the following Securities:—Landed Estates, Houses, Shops, and Offices, Warehouses and Wharves, Life Interests, &c., Reversions, Borough Rates, &c., at the lowest current rates of interest. Prompt Settlement. 11, Staple Inn, London, W.C.—[ADVT.]

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—The stomach and its troubles cause more discomfort and bring more unhappiness than is commonly supposed. The thousand ills that settle there may be prevented or dislodged by the judicious use of these purifying Pills, which act as a sure, gentle, anti-acid aperient, without annoying the nerves of the most susceptible or irritating the most delicate organisation. Holloway's Pills will bestow comfort and confer relief on every headachy, dyspeptic, and sickly sufferer, whose tortures make him a burden to himself and a bugbear to his friends. These Pills have long been the popular remedy for a weak stomach, for a disordered liver, or a paralysed digestion, which yield without difficulty to their regulating, purifying, and tonic qualities.

The *Masonic Advocate* announces that Bros. M. L. Young, Grand Lecturer, and J. W. Laffin, Grand Sec. of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, are co-editors of the *Masonic Tidings*, of Milwaukee.

Bro. Lord Randolph Churchill's visit to Oakfield-park, Dartford, has been fixed for Saturday, the 18th inst., when it is expected that most of the representatives of Kentish constituencies will be present, Bro. Sir John E. Gorst, Q.C., being of the number.

Among the guests to be entertained at the usual Cutlers' Feast at Sheffield on Thursday Bros. Lord George Hamilton, M.P., First Lord of the Admiralty, Marriott, Q.C., M.P., Judge Advocate General, and Stuart Wortley, M.P., were expected to be present.

Bro. Sir James Fergusson, Bart., M.P., Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, received a deputation of Lancashire Hat Manufacturers on Tuesday on the subject of the heavy duties levied by the Roumanian Government on the importation of cheap felt hats.

Bro. the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, as they were passing through Manchester on Friday morning, the 27th ult., paid a visit to the Mayor of Manchester, Alderman Goldschmidt, at the Town Hall. The visitors were entertained at lunch, and taken round the works of Sir Elkanah Armitage, at Salford.

The annual show of the Warwickshire Agricultural Society was opened at Nuneaton, on Tuesday, in the presence of Bro. Lord Leigh, Lord Lieutenant of the county, and other of the local gentry, and, as the weather was splendid, there was a very large muster of visitors. Bros. Lord Northwick and Lord Wantage were among the successful competitors, the former in the sheep and the latter in the horse classes.

The Corporation of London last year expended on educational works £15,531, viz.: City of London School, £3605; Freeman's Orphan School, £5048; Technical Education, £3950; Royal College of Music, £1000; School of Music, £2828. The Guildhall Library and Museum cost the Corporation £6076; the new School of Music (part of the cost), £3064; and the new London Almshouses, £10,534.—*City Press*.

The Sheriffs-elect of London and Middlesex—Bro. Alderman Isaacs and Lieut.-Colonel Kirby—will be inducted into office on Tuesday, the 28th inst., or "Sheriffs' Day." A procession will be formed in Aldersgate-street, and will make its way thence to the Guildhall, where the ceremony of induction will be carried out, the Loriners, Spectaclemakers, Fanmakers, and Shipwrights' Companies taking a part in the display. The usual banquet will follow.

The *Masonic Advocate* for last month reports a suggestion by Bro. Charles Spalding, Editor of the *Light*, Topeka, Kansas, that a convention of the Editors of the different Masonic periodicals in America should be held at St. Louis during the approaching meeting of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of the United States, for the purpose of forming a permanent organisation, the nature and objects of which, however, are not stated. The *Masonic Advocate* favours the proposal, and promises to try and be there and meet Bro. Spalding.

The Southampton Masonic Benevolent Association has issued its eleventh annual report to the 10th August. It records that £50 has been added to the amount invested in 3 per cent. reduced annuities. The balance sheet shows that the investments have now reached £1250, with some £80 odd in the bankers' hands. The receipt is acknowledged of a donation of ten guineas from the Lodge of Peace and Harmony, No. 359, and another of five guineas from the Royal Gloucester Lodge, No. 130. Three Benevolent grants have been awarded during the past year—two of £10 each, and one of £5 to the widows of brethren of Lodge 359. It is a striking comment on our legal methods to find that legal charges for the appointment of trustees to a small Benevolent Association like this reached £20 3s. 4d.

At Bonn the English visitors attended the inauguration of the Beethoven statue, and were serenaded by an enormous orchestra, consisting of 60 military bands. At four o'clock on the same day, a grand banquet was given at the Palace, on which occasion the Prussian King made a speech, in which he said: "Gentlemen, fill your glasses! There is a word of inexpressible sweetness to British as well as to German hearts. Thirty years ago it echoed on the heights of Waterloo from British and German tongues, after days of hot and desperate fighting, to mark the glorious triumph of our brotherhood in arms. Now it resounds on the banks of our fair Rhine, amid the blessings of that peace which was the hallowed fruit of the great conflict. That word is *Victoria*!" His Majesty then drank to the health of the Queen and Prince Albert; and the former, who was much affected, rose, bent towards the King, and kissed his cheek.—*From "The Life and Times of Queen Victoria"* for September.

The skill of British sailors and naval architects has produced a type of life-boat which well fulfils its purpose, and is not likely to be soon replaced. The liberality of the British public enables the Life-boat Institution to prosecute its noble and humane work on a grand scale; but without the services of the gallant men who form the crews, all these preparations would be of no avail. It is true, no doubt, that these men receive payment for their services; but who would venture to assert that the small payments made to the boatmen in any sense compensate them for the risks they have to run, or are the real attraction of those who volunteer for the service? These humble heroes "are mostly resident boatmen, fishermen, or coast-guard-men," all familiar with the sea, and all hardy, skilful oarsmen. This circumstance makes it important that the life-boats should be propelled by oars or sails, with the management of which all seamen are familiar. But, apart from this fact, there would be obvious dangers in attempting to fit steam-generating apparatus and propelling machinery in boats liable to be tossed about or capsized by heavy seas. It may perhaps be possible hereafter to introduce some other description of propelling machinery, by the use of which the number of men embarked in a boat may be reduced and the risk of losing valuable lives diminished. As yet, however, this problem is unsolved, and those most familiar with the service are not hopeful that a solution will be found.—*From "Great Industries of Great Britain"* for September.



# METROPOLITAN MASONIC MEETINGS.

For the week ending Saturday, September 11, 1886.

The Editor will be glad to receive notice from Secretaries of Craft Lodges, Royal Arch Chapters, Mark Lodges, Rose Croix Chapters, Preceptories, Conclaves, &c., of any change in place, day, or month of meeting.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.

Lodge 2148, Walsingham, Wilmington M.H., Dartford.  
Chap. 975, Rose of Denmark, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge.  
" 1326, Lebanon, Red Lion Hot., Hampton.

### LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Alexandra Palace, Station Ho., Camberwell New-rd., at 7.30.  
Chiswick, Windsor Castle Hot., King-st., Hammersmith, 7.30.  
Eccleston, Crown and Anchor, 79, Ebury-street, Pimlico, at 7.  
King Harold, Four Swans, Waltham Cross, at 7.  
Manchester, 17, London-st., Fitzroy-sq., at 8.  
Percy, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.  
Star, Five Bells, New Cross-rd., S.E., at 7.  
Industry Chapter, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., Herne-hill, S.E., 7.30.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

Lodge 144, St. Luke's, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.  
" 1625, Tredegar, Royal Hot., Mile End-rd.  
" 2024, Raymond Thrupp, Hampton Court, Middlesex.  
Chap. 1891, St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hot., West Kensington.  
Mark 139, Panmure, 8A, Red Lion-sq., W.C.

### LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Kingston Hill, at 8.  
Coborn, Eagle Hot., Snaresbrook, at 8.  
Eleanor, Seven Sisters Hot., Page Green, Tottenham, at 8.  
Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, High-st., Camden Town, 8.  
Hyde Park, Porchester Hot., Leinster-place, Cleveland-sq.,  
Porchester-terr., Paddington, at 8.  
Kingsland, Cock Tav., Highbury, N., at 8.30.  
Loughborough, Gauden Hot., Clapham, S.W.  
Marquess of Ripon, Queen's Hot., Victoria-park-rd., E.  
Metropolitan, Moorgate Tav., 15, Finsbury Pavement, 7.30.  
Perfect Ashlar, Jamaica Tav., Southwark Park-rd., at 8.  
Prince Leopold, Printing Works, 202, Whitechapel-road, 7.  
Royal Commemoration, Railway Hot., Putney, 8 till 10.  
Selwyn, East Dulwich Hot., East Dulwich, at 8.  
Sincerity, Railway Tav., Fenchurch-st., at 7.  
St. Ambrose, Baron's Court Hot., W. Kensington, at 8.  
St. James's Union, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
St. Mark's, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd.  
Strong Man, Excise Tav., Old Broad-st., at 7.  
United Military, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.  
Upper Norwood, White Hart Hot., Church-rd., Upper Norwood, at 8.  
Wellington, White Swan Hot., High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10.  
West Smithfield, New Market Hot., E.C., at 7.30.  
Doric Chapter, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 6.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

Colonial Board, at 4.  
Lodge 1472, Henley, Three Crowns Hot., North Woolwich.  
" 1662, Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow.  
" 2032, Richmond, Richmond, Surrey.  
" 2054, Wilson Hs, Four Swans, Waltham Cross.

### LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Brixton, Prince Regent, Dulwich-rd., East Brixton, at 8.  
Capper, Railway Tav., Angel-lane, Stratford, at 8.  
Constitutional, Bedford Hot., Southampton Bldgs., at 7.  
Chaucer, The Old White Hart, High-st., Borough, at 8.  
Corinthian, George Hot., Cubitt Town, Poplar, at 7.  
Dalhousie, The Sisters' Tav., Pownall-rd., Dalston, E., at 8.  
Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., at 8.  
Duke of Albany, Rock Tav., Battersea-park-rd., at 8.  
Duke of Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Grosvenor Park, 8.  
Emblematic, Red Lion, York-st., Jermyn-st., W., at 8.  
Enfield, Rose and Crown, Church-st., Edmonton, at 8.  
Excelsior, Commercial Dock Tav., Plough-rd., Rotherhithe, 8.  
Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st., at 8.  
Finsbury, King's Head Tavern, 42, Threadneedle-st., at 7.  
Florence Nightingale, M.H., William-st., Woolwich, 7.30.  
Friars, Liverpool Arms, Canning Town, at 7.30.  
Islington, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., E.C., at 7.  
Israel, Rising Sun Tav., Globe-rd.  
Joppa, Champion Hot., Aldersgate-st., at 7.  
Kennington, Giraffe Tav., Newington Crescent, Newington Butts, S.E., at 7.30.  
Kensington, Courtyard Hot., Earl's Court Station, at 8.  
Lily, Greyhound, Richmond, at 8.  
Mount Edgcombe, Three Stags, Kennington-rd., at 8.  
New Cross, Chester Arms, Albany-st., N.W., at 8.  
New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood T., Finsbury Park, at 8.  
Prince Fredk. Wm., Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-hill, 8.  
Pilgrim (German language), Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st., E.C., 1st and 3rd Tues.  
Royal Naval College, Greenwich Hospital Schools, at 8.  
South Middlesex, Beaufort House, Walham Green, 7.30.  
St. George's, Public Hall, New Cross, at 8.  
Wandsworth, East Hill Hot., Alma-rd., S.W., at 8.  
Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, at 8.  
Camden Chapter, The Moorgate, Moorgate-street, at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon Chapter, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove-road, Notting-hill, at 8.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

General Committee of the Benevolent Institution at 4.  
Lodge 87, Vitruvian, Bridge House Hot., London-bridge.

Lodge 820, Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond.  
" 1986, Honor Oak, White Swan Hot., Upper Norwood.  
Chap. 946, Strawberry Hill, Town Hall, Twickenham.  
" 1260, John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall.  
" 1446, Mount Edgcombe, St. Botolph Chambers, 191, Bishops-gate-street, E.C.

### LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Burgoyne, Goose and Gridiron, St. Paul's Churchyard, at 7.  
Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall-st., 7 till 9.  
Duke of Connaught, Ryl. Edwd. Hot., Mare-st., Hackney, 8.  
Earl of Lathom, Station Hot., Camberwell New-rd., at 8.  
Fidelity, Alfred Hot., Roman-rd., Barnsbury, at 8.  
Finsbury Park, Cock Tav., Highbury, at 8.30.  
Langthorne, Swan Hot., Stratford, at 8.  
La Tolerance, Portland Arms, Gt. Portland-st., W., at 8.  
Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, John-st., Mayfair, at 8.  
Merchant Navy, Silver Tav., Burdett-rd., Limehouse, 7.30.  
Mt. Lebanon, Windsor Castle, Southwark-bridge-road, 8.  
New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate-rd., N., at 8.  
Panmure, Balham Hot., Balham, 7.  
Peckham, Lord Wellington Hot., 516, Old Kent-rd., at 8.  
Pythagorean, Portland Hot., Greenwich, at 8.  
Queen's Westminster, 79, Ebury-st., S.W., at 7.45.  
Ravensbourne, George Inn, Catford, at 8.  
Temperance in the East, Geo. the Fourth, Ida-st., E., at 7.30.  
United Mariners, Lugard Hot., Lugard-rd., Peckham.  
United Strength, Hope Tav., Stanhope-st., Regent's-pk., at 8.  
Vitruvian, Bridge House Hot., London Bridge, at 8.  
Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, Victoria-st. S.W.  
Whittington, Red Lion, Poppin's-court, Fleet-st., at 8.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.

Opening of the Masonic Exhibition at Shanklin, Isle of Wight.

Lodge 1076, Capper, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.  
" 1558, Duke of Connaught, S.M.H., Camberwell.  
" 1642, Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Ladbroke Grove-rd., Notting Hill, W.  
Chap. 65, Prosperity, Guildhall Tav., Gresham-st.  
" 72, Royal Jubilee, Anderton's Hot., Fleet-st.  
" 907, Royal Albert, White Hart Tav., Abchurch-lane, E.C.  
Mark 331, Davison, M.H., 8A, Red Lion-sq., W.C.

### LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Burdett Coutts, Swan Tav., New Bethnal Green-road, at 8.  
Camden, Lincoln's Inn Restaurant, 305, High Holborn, at 7.  
City of London, Tiptree Tavern, 6, Leadenhall-st., at 6.  
Covent Garden, The Criterion, Piccadilly, at 8.  
Creation, Wheatheaf Hotel, Goldhawk-rd., Shepherd's Bush, W., at 8.  
Crusaders, Old Jerusalem Tav., St. John's-gate, Clerkenwell, at 9.  
Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tav. (opposite Limehouse Church, E.), at 7.  
Ebury, 12, Ponsonby-st., Millbank, at 8.  
Egyptian, Hercules Tav., Leadenhall-st., 7.30.  
Guelph, Blackbirds Inn, High-st., Leyton.  
Great Northern, Berwick Arms, Berners-st., Oxford-st.  
Highgate, Bull and Gate, Highgate-rd., N., at 8.  
High Cross, Coach & Horses, High-rd., Tottenham, at 8.  
Justice, Brown Bear, High-st., Deptford, 8 to 10.  
Langton, White Hart, Abchurch-lane, Cannon-st., at 5.30.  
Leopold, Old White Hart, Borough High-st., at 7.30.  
Royal Savoy, Yorkshire Grey, London-st., Tottenham-ct.-road, at 8.  
Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales Hot. (opposite Wimbledon Railway Station), at 7.30.  
Royal Albert, White Hart Hot., Abchurch-lane, at 7.30.  
Rose, Sterling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, at 8.  
Salisbury, Union Tav., Air-st., Regent-st., at 8.  
St. Luke's, White Hart, King's-rd., Chelsea, 7.30.  
Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse Tav., Liverpool-rd., at 8.  
Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolseley, Rotherhithe New-rd., at 8.  
Southern Star, Sir Sydney Smith, Chester-st. Kennington.  
The Great City, M.H., Masons'-avenue, E.C., 6.30.  
Tredegar, Wellington Arms, Wellington-rd., Bow-rd., 7.30.  
Union Waterloo, Earl of Chatham, Thomas-st., Woolwich.  
Victoria Park, Yorkshire Grey, High-st., Stratford, at 8.  
West Middlesex, Bell Hot., Ealing, at 7.30.  
North London Chapter, Alwyne Castle Tavern, St. Paul's-rd., Canonbury, at 8.  
Prince Frederick William Chapter, Eagle Tav., Clifton-rd., Maida-vale, 7.30.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

No Meetings.

### LODGES AND CHAPTERS OF INSTRUCTION.

Albion, Crown Hot., Essex-st., Strand.  
All Saints, Town Hall, Poplar, at 7.30.  
Beacontree, Bell Tavern, Leytonstone, at 8.  
Chigwell, Loughton Public Hall, at 7.30.  
Clapton, Lord Stanley, Sandringham-rd., Hackney, 8.  
Doric, Duke's Head, 79, Whitechapel-rd., at 8.  
Earl of Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting-hill, at 8.  
Emulation Lodge of Improvement (for M.Ms.), F.M.H., at 7.  
Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich, at 7.30.  
Loyalty, Private Rooms, 206, Mare-st., Hackney, at 8.  
Metropolitan (Victoria), Portugal Hot., Fleet-st., at 7.  
Ranelagh, Six Bells, Queen-st., Hammersmith, W., at 8.  
Royal Standard, The Alwyne Castle, St. Paul's-rd., N.  
Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kew Bridge, at 8.  
St. George's, Globe Tav., Greenwich, at 8.  
St. James's, Gregorian Arms, Jamaica-rd., S.E., at 8.  
St. John's, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, N.W., at 8.  
St. Marylebone, British Stores Tav., St. John's Wood.  
Temperance, Duke of York Tav., Evelyn-st., Deptford, 8.

Ubique, 79, Ebury-st., Pimlico, S.W., at 7.30.  
United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell New-rd., 7.30.  
Westbourne, Lord's Hot., St. John's Wood, at 8.  
Wm. Preston, St. Andrew's Tav., George-st., Baker-st., W.  
Kintore Mark, Stirling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, 9.  
Hornsey Chapter, Porchester Hot., Leinster-pl., Cleveland-sq., Paddington, at 8.  
Lily of Richmond Chapter, Greyhound Hot., Richmond, 8.  
Panmure Chapter, Stirling Castle, Church-st., Camberwell, at 7.30.  
Pythagorean Chapter, Portland Hot., London-st., Greenwich.  
Royal Savoy Mark, The Moorgate, 15, Finsbury-pavement, 7.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.

Lodge 869, Gresham, Chestnut Great House, Chestnut-pk.  
" 1446, Mount Edgcombe, Bridge House Hot., London Bridge.  
" 1607, Loyalty, London Tav., Fenchurch-st., E.C.  
" 1686, Guelph, Town Hall, Leyton.  
" 1743, Perseverance, Imperial Hot., Holborn Viaduct.  
" 1839, Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall.  
Chap. 1293, Burdett, Mitre Hot., Hampton Court.  
" 1423, Era, Albany Hot., Twickenham.

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